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JORDAN

LIVINGSTON -- Graveside services for Betty June Jordan, 75, of Livingston were held Wednesday, June 15, 2011, in Peebles Cemetery, with Kevin Wood officiating. She was born Sept. 18, 1935 in Waco, to Hebert M Hiser and Lola Mae Sparks Hiser, and died on June 13, 2011 in Conroe. She is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Perry Jordan; sister, Debra McElmurry and brother, Donald Hiser. Betty is survived by daughters and sons-in-law, Brenda and Frank Black of Livingston and Nancy and Bobby Watson of Livingston; grandchildren, Stacy and Glenn Edwards, Frank Jr. and Amanda Black, Doug and Wendy Black, Andrew and Amanda Jordan, Joshua and Aleisha Watson and Ashlee Watson; 11 great-grandchildren; brothers and sisters-in-law, Ervin and Shirley Hiser of Palestine and Douglas and Annette Hiser of Santa Fe; sister-in-law, Grace Hiser of Athens and numerous other relatives and friends. Cochran Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. To sign the online register, go to www.cochranfh.com.

PELTON

CONROE -- Jason "Jake" Rex Pelton, 37, of Montgomery was born on Dec. 1, 1973 and died while doing what he loved best on June 11, 2011. For the past 16-plus years, Jason was a dedicated employee of Smith & Co. where he supervised a road construction crew. He was preceded in death by grandparents, Rex Allen Pelton, Elizabeth Lewis, Gladys and Johnie Carter, and one sister, Anita Pelton Wells. Jason is survived by his loving wife, Sheri of Montgomery; par-ents, Bob and Joann Pelton; sisters, Latricia Dennis and husband Larry, Elizabeth Rodgers and husband Jimmy, Rhonda Manescalco and husband Frank, Balinda Pillow and husband Doug and Margie Wiggins and husband Chris; brothers, Fred Miller, Gerald Miller and wife Brenda and Johnie Pelton and wife Wendi; fatherin-law, Sandy Bell and wife Diana; mother-in-law, Jeanetta Ellis and husband Terry; brother-in-law, Charlie Bell and sister-in-law, Jenny Nash and hus-band Robert. Jason also leaves behind nine nieces, 12 nephews, 18 great-nieces and nephews and nu-merous other family members and friends who will deeply miss him. Jason was known as a great friend with a huge heart who never met a stranger and a true genuine cowboy. A funeral service was held on Wednesday, June 14, 2011, at the Lone Star Cowboy Church in Montgomery. A graveside service followed. Serving as pallbearers were Fred Miller, Gerald Miller, Johnie Pelton, Kevin Woodman, Shannon Tody, Jesse Real, Keith Woodman and Charlie Bell. Honorary pallbearers were Royce Lee, John Earl Phillips, Roger Gracey, Martin Worley and Donny Land. In lieu of flowers, the family re-quests that donations be made to the Montgomery County Fair Scholarship Fund in memory of Jason Pelton, P.O. Box 869, Con-roe, TX 77305. Eickenhorst Funeral Services was in charge of arrangements. Those wishing to post tributes to the family may do so at www.eickenhorstfuneral.com.

HUBBARD

LIVINGSTON -- Funeral services for Kenneth Earl Hubbard, 76, of Livingston will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, June 17, 2011, in the Cochran Funeral Home Chapel in Livingston, with Willis American Legion Post No. 618 providing military honors. He was born Aug. 13, 1934 in Friendwood, to Marvin Earl Hubbard and Marguarite Olive Harklerood Hubbard, and died on June 14, 2011 in Livingston. He is preceded in death by his parents. Kenneth spent 21 years in the United States Air Force. He was an active member of American Legion Post 312 for 38 years, where he served as the past district commander and lead commander for 11½ of those years. He had retired from the Polk County Sherriff's Department where he had served the community as the chief bailiff, then as the constable and many other positions throughout the years. He is survived by his wife, Edna Diane Hubbard of Livingston; sons, Edward "Butch" Hubbard of Weatherford, Howard "Skeeter" Hubbard of Weatherford and Marvin Eugene Hubbard of Weatherford; stepdaughter, Gay L. Robinson of Austin; stepson, Ricky L. Robinson of Austin; stepdaughter, Carol Denise Whitten of Mineola; sisters, Betty J. Sanders of Missouri City and Lynda F. Capps of Livingston; nine grandchildren; numerous greatgrandchildren and many extended family and friends. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to American Legion Post 312 in honor of Kenneth Hubbard. Cochran Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. To sign the online register, go to www.cochranfh.com.

EDITH KATHRYN BRADLEY RUSHING

Mrs. Edith Kathryn Bradley Rushing, age 90 of Crockett, passed away Friday, June 10, 2011 in the Houston County Nursing Home. Mrs. Rushing was born March 9, 1921 in Belzonia, Oklahoma (no longer on the map) and had been a resident of Houston County since 1942. Even though living in the depression years, she was determined to finish high school and graduated from Pasadena High School in 1940. She walked 3.5 miles to school in all kinds of weather and it did get cold in Oklahoma. After high school, Soper, a small town in Oklahoma started running a school bus to the grade school to pick up all the high school kids. She still walked 3.5 miles to catch the school bus. Times were hard then and the bus did not have any windows, only had a canvas flap. They let it down in the winter and rolled it up in the hot weather. They rode the bus 20 miles to school. When the depression hit in 1929, she said the last doll she got was in 1928. Christmas was a no-no. She said on Christmas, they would get an orange, apple, a little candy and a few nuts. No pretty Christmas Trees. There were four children in the Bradley family. She said she was 15 years old when she had her first Coke. Mrs. Rushing loved her family, her church and her flowers and also helped people who could not drive. She also loved to guilt and won numerous ribbons at the Houston County Youth Livestock Show. She married Norman Rushing while he was serving in the Army and was a housewife until 1956. They bought a little country store and operated it for about nine years. After her children finished school, she work at the Crockett State School 1971 where she retired in 1987 afterward working with her husband in the cattle business. Mrs. Rushing served a secretary-treasurer of the Parker Cemetery in the Jones School House Community from 1992 to 2007. Mrs. Rushing was a member of the Good Shepherd Fellowship. Survivors include her sons Mike Rushing, of North Zulch and Pat Rushing and wife Vickie, of Crockett; daughter Judy Jones, of Fairfield; eight grandchildren Rhonda and Khalil Khalil of Tarzana, all of Calif., Dwayne Rushing, of Houston, Clint Langham, of Latexo, Lisa Rushing, of Bryan, Alex and Crystal Jones, of Fairfield, Patty Roze, of Houston and Leslie Omelina and husband Jason, of Crockett; step-grandchildren Maricia, Matthew and Mallorie Ferrell, of North Zulch; 11 great-grandchildren; brother Sam Bradley and wife Mildred, of Carlsbad, NM; sister-in-law Lena Belle Gallant, of Waco; also by numerous nieces and nephews; and a very special friend Irene Musgrove. Preceded in death by her husband Norman Rushing in 1997; daughter Sandra Rushing Langham in 1992; granddaughter Kelly Rushing in 1979, son Ronnie Rushing in 2006; brother Leo Bradley in 2002; and parents Tom and Tressie Bradley. Funeral Services for Mrs. Edith Bradley Rushing were held Monday, June 13, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Good Shepherd Fellowship with the Rev. Ottis Byers officiating. Interment followed in the Parker Cemetery in the Jones School House Community. Online condolences for Mrs. Rushing may be made at www.callawayallee.com Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

HAZEL L. BAILON

Mrs. Hazel L. Bailon, age 89, passed away Thursday, June 9, 2011 in Conroe. Mrs. Bailon was born November 7, 1921 in Lovelady. She had many interests and skillfully balanced them well. For over 25 years she had a successful career as a cosmetic buyer for a popular drugstore chain, was a great cook and homemaker, a sewing hobbyist, a travel enthusiast, a loyal church goer, and embraced a large circle of friends and family across two states. She had a wonderful way of making everyone feel special in her presence. But, most of all, she was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother. Survivors include her three children residing in Texas, Roy G. West, Bill West and wife Barbara and Shirley Donohue and husband Jeff; three stepdaughters residing in Arizona, Alicia Bailon, Anna Hill and husband, David and Elena Wortman and husband Ron; one stepson Gilbert Bailon, of St. Louis, MO; plus 19 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-great-grandchild. Preceded in death by her parents Carrie and Walter Andrews; all 12 of her brothers and sisters; former husband and father of her children Roy P. West; late husband Herky O. Bailon. Funeral Services for Mrs. Hazel L. Bailon were held Monday, June 13, 2011 at 12:30 p.m. at Cashner Funeral Home, 801 Teas Road, Conroe. Interment followed in Antioch Cemetery in Lovelady, the old family church/cemetery where she attended as a child. You are invited to leave written tributes and condolences for the family on our website at www.cashnerconroe.com. Cashner Funeral Home

EVELYN ANNETTE SCOTT MEEKS

Mrs. Evelyn Annette Scott Meeks, age 76, passed quietly Thursday, June 9, 2011, in Fort Worth. Mrs. Meeks was born August 12, 1934, in Crockett to Will and Joe Ella Scott. She attended elementary, middle and high school in Kennard. At the age of 14 she left Crockett to attend college at Huston-Tillotson University in Austin. Mrs. Meeks attained a bachelor's degree majoring in elementary education. She pledged Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. In 2009, she was honored as the Outstanding HTU Alumni. At the age of 18 she moved to Fort Worth. She continued her education by attaining a master's degree in education from Prairie View A&M University and supervisory certification from Texas Woman's University. She worked for 42 years in the Fort Worth Independent School District. She was proud to work at Como Junior High and Morningside Middle School for most of her career. She served through the years as a social studies teacher, magnet coordinator, and director for the Pre-International Bacculaureate Program at Morningside Middle School. Until her death, she was an active member of the Fort Worth Retired School Employees Association. In 1964 She, married John Meeks. They have one daughter, Jacquelynn Meeks. She loved her family both near and far and the many friends who are like family. She had amazing talents for the caring and mentoring of others and bringing fun and laughter into any situation. She was a member of Jack and Jill of America, Inc. and served on the board of the Fort Worth Zoo for many years. She also volunteered at Jubilee Theatre since its beginnings. For most of her adult life she was a member of St. Simon of Cyrene Episcopal Church and in the recent years of St. Christopher Episcopal Church. She loved to travel and in addition to travel throughout the United States, she enjoyed trips to Japan, Taiwan, India, Brazil, Mexico, and Canada. Special thanks to the doctors, care providers and staff at Texas Oncology, Harris Methodist Hospital Palliative Care Unit and Universal Health Services. Survivors include her husband John Meeks; daughter Jacquelynn Meeks; brother Oberian Lee Sr.; mother-in-law Venora Meeks; sister-in-law Veronica Meeks; she will be missed by nieces and nephews she loved so dearly Lynell Boston, Eugene Lee, JoAnn Lee, Oberian Lee Jr., Nannette Bryant, Paula Kaye Smith, Janice Baker Offutt and James N.C. Baker; beloved grandson Cameron Lee; in-laws, family, and friends too numerous to mention who benefited from her love and affection. Celebration of life for Mrs. Evelyn Annette Scott Meeks will be held Thursday, June 16, 2011 at Noon at St. Christopher Episcopal Church, 3550 SW Loop 820. Memorials at Mrs. Meeks request, instead of flowers, please make donations in her memory to one of three organizations she was passionate about: St. Christopher Episcopal Church, 3500 SW Loop 820 Fort Worth, Texas 76133; Huston-Tillotson University, attention: LaJuana Napier, 900 Chicon St., Austin, Texas 78702; or Susan G. Komen for the Cure, Greater Fort Worth Affiliate, Box 101328, Fort Worth, Texas 76105. Baker Funeral Home

KATHY SPERRY HOLIK

Mrs. Kathy Sperry Holik, age 63, passed away Wednesday, June 15, 2011. Mrs. Holik was born to Dr. John J. and Harriett Sperry in Bryan, Texas on June 29, 1947. She grew up in College Station, graduating from high school there in 1965. She attended the University of Texas at Austin and later transferred to Texas A&M University and only lacked 12 hours graduating from A&M. She lived in College Station until 2004 when she moved to Augusta. She moved to Crockett in 2006. She was a polio survivor, having had bulbar polio in 1950 and having been in an iron lung at Children's Medical Center in Waco. During her life she had a varied experience in the workforce, including working for the College Station Independent School District in various capacities and working in home health as a sitter and caregiver. She was a life time member of the A&M Methodist church and was an active Girl Scout. Mrs. Holik loved her family, especially her great nieces and nephews, loved wildflowers, and loved her pets. Survivors include her sisters Dr. Pam Zwingman and husband Bob, of Walnut, Calif., and Jeanne McLeod and husband James, of Augusta; brothers John Sperry and wife Betty, of Spring, Dr. Fred Sperry and wife Sharon, of Omaha and Bill Sperry and wife Anne, of Greenville, NC.; 13

nieces and nephews; and 13 great-nieces and great-nephews. Preceded in death by her father and mother John and Harriett Sperry; and her husband, Al Holik. Funeral Services for Mrs. Kathy Sperry Holik were held Saturday, June 18, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. at the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with Dr. Keith Jenkins officiating. Interment followed in the Augusta Cemetery. Condolences for Mrs. Holik may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

DEMA LEA POUNDERS

Mrs. Dema Lea Pounders, age 81 of Crockett passed away Saturday, June 4, 2011 in a Crockett Nursing facility. Mrs. Pounders was born May 10, 1920 in Trinity County, Texas, the daughter of the late Sibbie (Kendrick) and Lee Adel Sullivan. She was raised on her parent's farm with her two brothers. She married Loyd Pounders in 1949 and gave birth to her only son Dan in 1950. Mrs. Pounders devoted her life to Jehovah and her only child. Her joy was increased each time a grandchild was born. She loved her 3 grandchildren dearly. She was a loving wife for 36 years. She was one of Jehovah's Witnesses and was devoted to her Faith. She is now awaiting the resurrection. She was loved and will be missed by all who knew her. Rest in Peace. Survivors include her son and daughterin-law Dan and Terry Pounders, of Crockett; grandsons Edward Pounders and Ray Pounders; granddaughter Amy Pounders; nieces Rebecca Sullivan and Barbara Fry. Preceded in death by her parents Lee Adel and Sibbie Ann Sullivar; and two brothers Milved and Glenn Sullivan. Memorial Services for Mrs. Pounders will be held Friday, June 10, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. at Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses in Crockett with Bro. Frank Spencer officiating. Oakley-Metcalf Funeral Home

SHIRLEY ANN (COURT) STARNES

Mrs. Shirley Ann (Court) Starnes, age 76 of Percilla, Texas, passed away Friday, June 3, 2011. Mrs. Starnes was the youngest of 2 children, born in Childress, Texas on March 18, 1935 to Dick and Rae Court. At the age of 6, her family moved to Salinas, California where Shirley attended high school and met her husband, Eugene Franklin Starnes of Ralls, Texas. They were married in June of 1951 and later moved to San Jose, California for some time and in 1977l, they moved to Albany, Oregon. They lived there for 18 years before finally landing in Percilla, Texas in 1993. Mrs. Starnes worked as a stay at home mother as well as stables operator of G & S Stables in Albany for many years. She maintained horses along with barn duties and regular upkeep. She also was a regular spectator of the Monday night team penning group at the Linn County Barn. She will forever be loved and remembered for her unconditional love for her family and friends, along with the cherished memories we shared with her. Survivors include her husband Eugene Starnes; children Mike Starnes, of North Pole, AK. and Dixie Martin, of Albany, Ore.; grandchildren Mickenzie Ordeman, Shelby Draper, Morgan Starnes, Dillon Starnes and Devon Starnes; great-grandchildren Jackson and Peyton Ordeman. Memorial Services for Mrs. Shirley Ann (Court) Starnes was held Tuesday, June 7, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Percilla Community Church with the Rev. Kenny Bush officiating. Condolences for Mrs. Starnes may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

OLLIE ANN BRADBERRY

Mrs. Ollie Ann Bradberry, age 70 of Holly, passed away Wednesday, June 8, 2011 in the Methodist Hospital in Houston. Mrs. Bradberry was born March 28, 1941 in Port Arthur, Texas and had lived in Holly most of her lifetime. Mrs. Bradberry had retired from Wal-Mart after 30 years of service having worked as a cashier and was a member of the Harvest Church. She enjoyed sewing, cooking, reading, computers, loved her grandchildren and her rose bushes. Mrs. Bradberry's motto while fighting cancer was, "I Can Do It!" Survivors include her daughter Nyoka Bradberry, of Holly; sons John Bradberry and Jody Bradberry and wife Joy, all of Holly; grandchildren Guretta Gray and husband Jacob, of Riverside, Holly Christine Bradberry, of Holly, Cody Walker Bradberry and wife Kori, of Trinity; great-grandchildren Isabella Rose Bradberry, Hailey Mae Bradberry, Xylia Annabelle Gray and Keith Allen Golden "Bubba" III; sister Dolly Ballard, of Holly; brother Thomas Lafayette Hammond and wife Debbie, of Pasadena; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her husband Ralph Junior "Buddy" Bradberry; and parents Lafayette and Ruby Hammond. Funeral Services for Mrs. Ollie Ann Bradberry will be held Sunday, June 12, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Harvest Church with the Rev. Dennis Ivey officiating. Interment will follow in the Holly Cemetery. Condolences for Mrs. Bradberry may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

LOVA DICKEY PRIDDY

Mrs. Lova Dickey Priddy, age 83 of Lockhart, Texas passed away peacefully Monday, May 23, 2011 in Austin. Mrs. Priddy was born September 29, 1927 in Slocum, Texas to Joseph and Elizabeth Dickey. She graduated from Crockett High School in 1946 and married James Priddy in Latexo, Texas in 1949. Survivors include her loving husband of 62 years, James (Jim), of Lockhart; daughter Ann and husband Allen Vargas, of Austin; son Joe Priddy and wife Linda, of Santa Maria, Calif.; sister Hila Sue and husband Wyman Wilkerson, of Lumberton, NC.; four grandchildren Adam, of Santa Barbara, Calif., Jared, of San Jose, Calif., Caleb, of Fresno, Calif. and Sarah and husband Tyler Sanders, of Scottsdale, Ariz.; nieces Jo Ann Butler Davis, and Grace Butler Rollins; nephews Dicky Gene Paul and Alan Fitch; cousins N.A. Dickey and Eloise Dickey Allen; and sister-in-law Anna Mae Dickey Hendrick. Preceded in death by her parents Joseph and Elizabeth Dickey; sisters Orlean and Weoda; brothers Burtis and Buddy. A Memorial Service for Mrs. Lova Dickey Priddy will be held Thursday, June 2, 2011 at 11:00 a.m at the First United Methodist Church in Lockhart. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the American Legion Women's Auxiliary, Unit 41 or First United Methodist Church in Lockhart. Eeds Funeral Home

JOE EARL MCKNIGHT

Mr. Joe Earl McKnight, age 66, answered the Master's call and departed this life Friday, May 20, 2011. Mr. McKnight was born September 15, 1944 in Crockett to the late Avie B. McKnight and Maine McKnight. He joined the Mt. Moriah Baptist Church at an early age. He graduated from William High School. Mr. McKnight drove trucks for about 40 years and he loved it dearly. Survivors include his loving wife of 47 years, Gladys McKnight; daughters Edith (Rickie) Ellis, Patricia McKnight, Bridgett (Ivan) Bradford, Sheryl (Renard) Bean, Barbara (Maurice) Hampton and Alexis McKnight; mother Maine McKnight; two brothers George McKnight and Nathaniel (Marilyn) McKnight, Sr.; one sister Emma (Reno) Moss; 15 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; numerous cousins, nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by his father Avie B. McKnight; and daughter Emma "Tina" Hamilton. Funeral Services for Mr. Joe Earl McKnight were held Saturday, May 28, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. at First Baptist Church in Crockett with the Reverend C.E. Easterling officiating. Interment followed in the Greater Mt. Moriah MBC Cemetery. Active Pallbearers were Archie Lee Benton, Terrell McKnight, Bobby Calhoun, Marvin Earl McKnight, Lester Bryant and Lester Woods. Honorary Pallbearers were George McKnight, Nathaniel McKnight, Sr., Moss, Rickie Ellis, Ivan Bradford, Renard Bean and Delbert "Poncho" McKnight. J B Coleman

BEVERLY ANN NEITERMAYER

Mrs. Beverly Ann Neitermayer, age 66 of Crockett, passed away Sunday, May 29, 2011 in East Texas Medical Center-Tyler. Mrs. Neitermayer was born July 15, 1944 in Corpus Christi, Texas and was a resident of Crockett, previously living in Three Rivers. She was a housewife and had worked as the manager of the Crockett Inn. Mrs. Neitermayer was a member of the Westside Baptist Church in Crockett. Survivors include her husband Darrell Neitermayer, of Crockett; son Nathan K. Pascoe, of Pearland; daughter Melissa Hurd and husband Kevin, of Fort Collins, Colo.; step-son Michael Neitermayer, of Ringgold, Ga.; favorite niece Vonda Korbakes, of Tyler; sister Emma Lee Stevens, of Pleasanton, Colo.; brother Garvin O. Suggs, of George West; sister Geraldine Jones, of Alto; brother Olan Wayne Suggs, of Dayton; numerous nieces, nephews and relatives. Preceded in death by her parents Garland O. and Verna Mae Suggs; and brother William Wesley Suggs. Funeral Services for Mrs. Beverly Ann Neitermayer were held Friday, June 3, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Steve Meadows officiating. Interment was held Saturday, June 4, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Evergreen Cemetery in Odem, Texas. Condolences for Mrs. Neitermayer may be

left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

JOHN H. WATSON

Mr. John H. Watson, age 83 of Elkhart, passed away Thursday, June 2, 2011, in the Palestine Regional Hospital. Mr. Watson was born September 4, 1927 in Rector, Arkansas and had lived in Elkhart for the past 4 years, previously living in Crockett. Mr. Watson was a retired Senior Master Sergeant of the United States Air Force having served during World War II. Mr. Watson was a member of the Lothrop Masonic Lodge # 21 A. F. and A. M. and had served as past worshipful master in other Masonic lodges in Houston area. He was also retired having worked as an accountant and was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Grapeland. Survivors include his wife of 22 years, Linda Stowe Watson, of Elkhart; sons Tony Watson and wife Marilyn, of Medina, Johnny N. Watson and wife Linda, of White Bear Lake, Minn., Christopher Watson and wife Cindy, of Anoka, Minn. and Mark Watson and wife Maria, of Houston; children's mother Neita V. Collins, of Medina; stepchildren Rene Albert "Beau" Brown, Jr., of Baytown and Teresa L. Brown, of Spring; 16 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Graveside Funeral Services for Mr. John H. Watson were held Saturday, June 4, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. in the San Pedro Cemetery with the Rev. Bill Denham officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 212 Gene Samford Dr., Lufkin, Tx. 75904 or St. Jude's Hospital Children's Research Hospital, 501 St Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Condolences for Mr. Watson may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

DELOIS JEAN DAVIS

Mrs. Delois Jean Davis, age 72 of Crockett, on Monday, April 4, 2011, She left this earth on the Wings of Angels, in the ETMC-Tyler. A beautiful baby girl was born May 2, 1938, to the parents of James and Sarah Calhoun Harris Marshall, they named her "Delois Jean." Mrs. Davis attended and received her education at Crockett Colored School. She accepted Christ at an early age and joined Miles Chapel C.M.E. Church, later attending Progressive Baptist Church, and then united with Union Prairie Baptist Church and was a member for many years under the leadership of Rev. Samuel Dominique. She married Joe R. Davis, Sr., on March 28, 1953, to this union was blessed with six children. Mrs. Davis worked at Crockett I.S.D. in Food Services and also worked for Houston County Nursing Home and retired after 30 years. Survivors include her Loving husband Joe R. Davis, Sr., of Crockett; two sons Joe R. (Jeanetta) Davis, Jr. and Alton (Ruth) Davis, all of Crockett; four daughters Sarah Davis, Betty (Earnest) Lane, Addie (Bobby) Jackson, all of Crockett and Delois (Albert) Parker, of Richmond; brother Roy (Mae) Marshall, of Crockett; sister Ive Lee (James) Campbell, of Crockett; two brothers-in-law M.R. (Charlene) Davis and Ben Davis; two aunts Ive Lee Neal, of San Antonio and Burnett Calhoun, of Dallas; three sisters-in-law Gertie (Jimmy) Handy, Essie (Lawrence) Smith and Faye Williams, all of Houston; nine grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; special cousin Della Newman, of Crockett; special friend Ruth Wilson, of Crockett; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Preceded in death by her parents James and Sarah Calhoun Harris Marshall; and grandson Tarlus Davis, Sr. Funeral Services for Mrs. Delois Jean Davis were held Saturday, April 9, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. in Bethel Missionary Baptist Church with the Rev. Earl Harris and the Rev. Reginald Marshall officiating. Interment followed in Forest Lawn Cemetery in Crockett. Active Pallbearers were James Simon, Billy Simon, Broderick Sanders, Steven Campbell, Sam Duncan, Jr. and Larry McCullough. Honorary Pallbearers were Joe Davis, Jr., Artis Davis, Jr., Albert Parker, Jr., Alton Davis, Earnest Lane and Bobby Jackson. Emanuel Funeral Home

HAZEL ADELLE LUCE BLACKMON

Mrs. Hazel Adelle Luce Blackmon, age 95 of Irving, formerly of Palestine, passed away Monday, May 2, 2011 in the Hearthstone Assisted Living Facility in Irving. Mrs. Blackmon was born January 18, 1916 in Houston County, Texas and was living in Irving, previously living in Palestine. She was a retired railroad wife (that is a lot like being a military wife) and had retired from Montgomery Wards

in Houston. She was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers Auxiliary and Believers in Christ Church in Palestine. Survivors include her daughters Yvonne Blackmon and Neva Rae Blackmon; son Sherril Blackmon and wife Faye; Preceded in death by her husband Samuel Floyed Blackmon; infant daughter; and parents John R. and Candis Ellen (Knox) Luce. Graveside Funeral Services for Mrs. Hazel Adelle Luce Blackmon were held Thursday, May 5, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the McCarter Cemetery with Harold Fox officiating. Pallbearers will be W.R. (Butch) Blackmon, Roye L. Blackmon, John Ledbetter, James Buzbee, Johnnie Campbell, Daniel O'Bannon and Clinton Blackmon. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Believers in Christ Building Fund, 2104 State Hwy 155, Palestine, TX 75803. Condolences for Mrs. Blackmon may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

SYBLE ALYNE MILLS GRESHAM

Mrs. Syble Alyne Mills Gresham, age 85 of Crockett, passed away Tuesday, May 3, 2011 in the East Texas Medical Center-Crockett. Mrs. Gresham was born January 6, 1926 in Houston County, Texas and had lived in Crockett for many years. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern in Crockett Chapter # 509. Mrs. Gresham was a housewife and had retired as an executive secretary in Houston. She attended Community Full Gospel Church. Survivors include her daughter, Cynthia Puckett and husband Robert, of Doddridge, Ark.; brother Ernie Mills and wife Harriet, of Sugar Land; sister Maxine Vogler and husband Norris, of Rosenberg; niece Terri Vogler; sisters-in-law Sue McCormick, of Crockett and Delphia Mills, of Ore.; grandchildren Debbie Kelley and husband Steve, of Houston and David Puckett and wife Laura, of Doddridge, Ark.; great-grandchildren Colton Kelley, Cody Kelley, Logan Puckett, Ashton Puckett, Ethan Puckett and Brianna Puckett; great-greatgranddaughter, Madeline Chloe Puckett; great-great-grandson James Henry Puckett; numerous other nieces, nephews and relatives. Preceded in death by her husband J. B. Gresham; parents Henry and Mable Mills; brother James Ford Mills; and step-son Jasen Gresham. Funeral Services for Mrs. Syble Alyne Mills Gresham were held Friday, May 6, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with Robert Puckett officiating. Interment followed in the Ivie Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Ivie Cemetery Association, 2502 F. M. 357, Kennard, Tx. 75847 or Davis Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 112, Grapeland, Tx. 75844. Condolences for Mrs. Gresham may be left online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

LAURA LEIGH ZUCKERO

Ms. Laura Leigh Zuckero, age 25 of Crockett, passed away Saturday, April 30, 2011. Ms. Zuckero was born May 23, 1985 in Trinity, Texas and had lived all of her lifetime in Crockett. She had worked for Ames Fried Chicken as a cashier. She attended Harvest Church and Assembly of God Church in Crockett. Survivors include her children Samantha Leigh Zuckero, Victoria Elizabeth Zuckero, and Alexis Nicole Zuckero, all of Crockett; mother Margaret Jane Ramirez, of Crockett; brother Thomas Lynn Keys, of Crockett; sisters Jessica Maria Zuckero, Melissa Pearl Johnston and Martha Jane Ortiz, all of Crockett; grandmother Barbara Jane Lucas and husband Juan Carlos Vasquez, of Crockett; great-aunt Leona Lynette, of Crockett; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by father, Jimmy Lynn Keys; great-grandmother Jessie Bell Stringfellow; and grandfather Leonard Lucas. Graveside Funeral Services for Ms. Laura Leigh Zuckero were held Friday, May 6, 2011 at 3:30 p.m. in the New Energy Cemetery with the Rev. Ottis Byers officiating. Condolences for Ms. Zuckero may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Fubneral Home

KATIE THOMPSON

Mrs. Katie Thompson, age 92 of Crockett, passed away Tuesday, May 3, 2011 in the Memorial Hospital in Lufkin. Mrs. Thompson was born August 9, 1918 in Kountze, Texas and the majority of her life was spent in Crockett among her beloved East Texas pines. She married Robert Donald Thompson III in 1940. During World War II when R. D. was shipped out, she worked on the U. S. Naval base in Corpus Christi and thoroughly enjoyed it there and also worked on a naval base in Florida for a time and loved it there. After the war, she returned to Crockett. Mrs. Thompson was a homemaker and actively pursued her livestock career working the sale barn in both Crockett and

Palestine. After working the sale barn, she then pursued raising cows of her own along with her husband for many years on their property which was affectionately known as the "FUNNY FARM." She enjoyed gardening, fishing, feeding the animals and bottled fed many a calf. Mrs. Thompson was a fine lady that was plain spoken in a few words but always willing to push the envelope if you tested her. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Crockett. Survivors include her adopted son Paul St. Charles of and his brother Peter St. Charles, both of Dallas; cousin Mikala (Micki) Fenton, of Grants, N.M.; special friends Jesse and Wanda Stephens, of Kennard, Jason, Gaylene, Katy and Hunter Allen, all of Crockett, Sam Gilder, Bennie Gilder, both of Kennard, Maxine Brown, Dan and Gaylia Woolley, all of Crockett; other family members Duanna and Terry Dwire, of Austin, Charles and Doris Lloyd, of Crosby, Vicky Lloyd, of Houston and Sonny and Sammie Stearns, of Grapeland; adopted grandson John Paul St. Charles, of Austin; nieces and nephews McKenzie Rose St. Charles, of Austin and twins, Spencer and Connor St. Charles of Stinnett; numerous other relatives. Preceded in death by her husband R. D. Thompson; parents Ernest Jack and Jessie Lillian Fenton; and brother Cecil Fenton. Funeral Services for Mr. Katie Thompson were held Friday, May 6, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Tom Spath officiating. Interment followed in the Evergreen Memorial Park. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

FRANKIE ESTELLE WELCH CONNER

Mrs. Frankie Estelle Welch Conner, age 93 of Lufkin, went to be with the Lord Saturday, May 7, 2011. Mrs. Conner was born October 17, 1917 to Frank and Lottie Welch. She has been a wonderful daughter, wife, mother, sister, aunt, grandmother and great-grandmother. She loved being a homemaker, wife, mother and friend. When she lived near elderly people, she would always take them part of what she cooked that day. After she was widowed, she lived in Alaska for 2 years and Plattsburgh NY for 1 year. When she returned to Texas, she made many trips to Massachusetts and New Hampshire to visit her son and grandchildren. Her passion was taking care of her family, fishing and sewing. She always had her purse by the door and ready to go when friends or family came along. Survivors include her daughter LaVonne Conner Brant, of Huntington; son Charles Marcus Conner, of Los Angeles; sister Paulene Welch Martin, of Houston; grandchildren Darrell Bruce Brant, Kimberly Conner Daly and Eric Conner; several great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews and other family members. Preceded in death by her husband Charlie Lee Conner; grandson Shane Michael Conner; great-grandson Joshua Tyler Brant; brothers William Henry Welch, James Albert Welch and Lonnie Marcellus Welch; sister Christi Charlene Welch Davenport; nephews Frank Henry Welch and Eddy Wayne Davenport; and great-nephew Larry Eugene Welch, Jr. Graveside Funeral Services for Mrs. Frankie Estelle Welch Conner were held Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Conner Cemetery in Ratcliff, with Bro. Ronnie Frankens officiating. Oakley-Metcalf Funeral Home

GREGORY EUGENE CASPER

Mr. Gregory Eugene Casper, age 42, passed away Thursday, May 5, 2011 from this life into the arms of his Heavenly Father. Mr. Casper was a member of First Christian Church. He worked for Brookshire Bros. before he became disabled. Survivors include his mother Cecile Beltran; brother Scott D. Coplen, Sr.; nephew Scott D. Coplen, Jr.; nieces Meghan L. Casper, Stephanie Clakley, Katylyn Coplen and Kiley Coplen; uncles Ron E. Pierce, of Corpus, Christi and Lynn W. Pierce, of Seattle, Wash.; and numerous friends and his church family. Preceded in death by his two brothers Paul L. Casper and Michael R. Coplen; grandparents Mildred F. Pierce, Homer C. Pierce, Muriel Casper and Paul Casper. Memorial Services for Mr. Gregory Eugene Casper will be held at Saturday, May 14, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. at First Christian Church in Crockett. In Lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to the Gregory Casper Educational fund at First Christian Church would be apppreciated.

SHIRLEY ANN WELLS

Mrs. Shirley Ann Wells, age 75 of Lovelady, passed away Sunday, May 8, 2011 in the Cartmell Nursing Home in Palestine. Mrs. Wells was born August 6, 1935 in Lovelady, Texas and had lived all of her lifetime in Lovelady. She was a member of the Lovelady Church of Christ and had worked as a

tax assessor for Lovelady Independent School District. Mrs. Wells enjoyed quilting, sewing reading and loved her grandchildren. Survivors include her daughter Lynne Erickson and husband Bubba, of Crockett; step-sons Kenneth Wells and wife Dianne, of Gulfport, Miss. and Fred Wells and wife Barbara, of Houston; step-daughter Dixie Ann Swearinger and husband Lee, of Victoria; grandchildren Glen Charbula, Kristian Johnson, Lisa Rainy, LeAnne Barfield, Aundie Gunnels and husband Jeff, John Erickson, Julie Erickson, Jason Sieler, Brandon Wells and Heather Wells; brother Roy Smith, of Lovelady; great-grandchildren Tanner Gunnels, Garrett Gunnels, Hayden Erickson , Cy Erickson and Jaxson Wells; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her husband of 53 years, W. R. "Pete" Wells; parents Burke and Leila (Click) Smith; and brother Jimmy Smith. Funeral Services for Mrs. Shirley Ann Wells were held Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Lovelady Church of Christ with Mr. Randy Jones officiating. Interment followed in the Lovelady Evergreen Cemetery. Condolences for Mrs. Wells may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

BONNIE MINTER GREEN PAYNE

Mrs. Bonnie Minter Green Payne, age 71 of Crockett, passed away Saturday, May 7, 2011 at her residence. Mrs. Payne was born September 30, 1939 in Leon County, Texas and had lived in Crockett most of her lifetime. She was retired having worked as a secretary for Northland Cable and was a member of the San Pedro Baptist Church. Survivors include her son Tony Green, of Crockett; daughter Regina and Tim Boyd, of Centerville; grandchildren Cody Green, of Jacksonville, Fla., Chance Green, of Valdosta, Ga., Chelsea Low and fiancé Chase Freeman, of Latexo and Derek Low, of Nacogdoches; step-daughters Kathy Gehm and husband John, of Dallas, Vicki Sweet, of Bastrop and Dena Vallas and husband Wayne, of Irving; brother Ferrell Minter and wife Ann, of Latexo; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her husband Sherry Green; husband Ken Payne; parents L. E. Minter, Sr. and Mae Minter; brother L. E. Minter, Jr.; and sister Essie Ray. Funeral Services for Mrs. Bonnie Minter Green Payne were held Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. in the Callaway – Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Tommy Hutto officiating. Interment followed in the New Energy Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 212 Gene Samford Drive, Lufkin, Texas 75904. Condolences for Mrs. Payne may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

THOMAS EDWARD (EDD) KENLEY

Mr. Thomas Edward (Edd) Kenley, of Crockett (formerly of Lufkin), passed away Saturday, May 7, 2011 at his home on the Kenley's Mustang Prairie Ranch near Austonio. Mr. Kenley was born January 18, 1924 in Diboll, Texas to Sidney Walters Kenley and David Crockett Kenley. He moved from Diboll to Lufkin at age 12 into the bluebonnet house on East Shepherd Avenue. He graduated from Lufkin High School in 1941 and went to Texas A&M University for a year and a half, and at the beginning of World War II, Edd returned to Lufkin and in 1943 received his private pilot license, commercial pilot license and flight instructor license. Mr. Kenley loved flying and continued to be active as a pilot through the remainder of his life only having to give it up as his health subsided in his later years. He was a veteran of World War II, having served in the U.S. Navy. After his service to the Navy, he continued his education at the University of Texas at Austin and graduated with a BBA in 1949. Mr. Kenley returned to Lufkin and joined his father in the ranching business, a career that spanned for more than 70 years in areas of Angelina County, Trinity County, LaSalle County and most recently at Kenley's Mustang Prairie Ranch in Houston County, where he was in partnership with his son, Clay Kenley. Mr. Kenley was a member of the Texas Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, serving as a Director from 1958 until 1994, at which time he was elevated to Honorary Director and retained that title until his death. He was instrumental in assisting the state animal health to eradicate the screwworm in Texas during the 1960's. He was a member of the Texas Forestry Association for more than 35 years. He was a member of the Texas Livestock Marketing Association, and was a member of The Round Table in Lufkin. He was a member of the First Christian Church of Lufkin. Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Kenley, of Crockett; sons Clay Kenley and wife Sharon Kenley, of Crockett and Steve Day and wife Terri Day, of Lufkin; daughter Debra Henderson and husband Chip Henderson, of San Antonio; sister Marie Shirey and husband Edward Shirey, of Cumberland, Md.; daughter-in-law Jill Carswell and husband Mike Carswell, of Lufkin; granddaughters Sidney Kenley, of Crockett, Kimberly Day and Stephanie Milligan and husband Kevin Milligan, of San Antonio, Karen Henderson and husband Brian Jensen, of Boulder, Colo., Becky Haire and husband, Devon Haire, of Dillon, Colo. and Leslie Ball and husband Kris Ball, of Lufkin; grandsons Casey Kenley and Travis Kenley, of Crockett, Philip Day and wife Jackie Day, of Garner, N C, Chris Day and wife Audrey Day, of Lufkin, Jonathan Day, of Dallas, Keith Henderson, of San Antonio, Matthew Henderson, of Boulder, Colo. and Patrick Day and wife Leslie Day, of Lufkin; and five great-grandchildren. Preceded in death by his parents Sidney Walters Kenley and David Crockett Kenley; son Alan Day; and a brother David Kenley. Funeral Services for Mr. Thomas Edward (Edd) Kenley were held Thursday, May 12, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. in the First Baptist Church in Crockett with the Rev. Mikey Osborne officiating. Interment followed at 3:00 p.m. in the Garden of Memories in Lufkin. Pallbearers will be (grandsons and grandsons-in-law) Casey Kenley, Travis Kenley, Philip Day, Chris Day, Jonathan Day, Patrick Day, Keith Henderson, Matthew Henderson, Kris Ball, Kevin Milligan, Devon Haire and Brian Jensen. Honorary Pallbearers will be Otto Brittain, James Donnell, Jerry Highnote, Bob Jumper, Ronnie LaRue, Don Lawrence, Lehn Leediker, Leroy Lott, Jesse Paul Lott, Archie McKnight, Raymond Moore, Zane Odom, Joe Taylor, Joe Bob Tullos. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Waters Edge Ministry, P.O. Box 1446, Crockett, TX 75835 or Hospice in the Pines, 116 South Raguet, Lufkin, TX 75904. Condolences for Mr. Kenley may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

DOYLE GENE WHITFIELD

Mr. Doyle Gene Whitfield, age 60 of Grapeland, beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend passed away, Monday 9, 2011 at home. Mr. Whitfield was born August 3, 1950 in Carlsbad, New Mexico. He was the son of Elter Elvis and Jeanie Tucker Whitfield, and is the grandson-in-law of the late Martin and Mary Thompson of the Friday community. Survivors include his loving wife Jackie; two beloved sons Martin and wife Traci and Dwight and wife Kerri; grandchildren Becky, Sarah, Steven, Mason, Ryan and Adam; brother Howard and wife Marylou, of Montgomery; special "daughter" Wendy Jones, of Alvin; and his falling down buddy Pat Flurry, of Palestine. Preceded in death by his parents Elter Elvis and Jeanie Tucker Whitfield; and his parents-inlaw Harold and Roberta Miller. Memorial Services for Mr. Doyle Gene Whitfield was held Saturday, May 14, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. in the Friday Community Center on FM 1280. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Heart to Heart Hospice, 209 Christie, Lufkin Texas 75904.

MARY "JOSEPHINE" REYNOLDS

Mrs. Mary "Josephine" Reynolds, age 81 of Huntsville, passed away Wednesday, May 11, 2011 at 7:55 p.m. at her home surrounded by family and friends. Mrs. Reynolds was born on January 8, 1930, in Lovelady, Texas to Melvin and Phenia Searcy. Mrs. Reynolds was a loving Christian lady and was a member of the Antioch Baptist Church in Lovelady. She was famous for her smile and her family values. She loved fishing on the Trinity River Wilson Shoals and cooking the fish afterwards. She was "daddy's #1 biscuit maker." Neighbors and friends would walk to her house early in the morning to taste her fresh batch of biscuits. She loved most of all, talking about her grandchildren and greatgrandchildren. Survivors include her sons Melvin "Randy" Reynolds and wife Peggy Reynolds, Keith Reynolds, all of Huntsville and Richard Wise and wife Liz; daughters Nancy Mellette and Sherry Kindrex, both of Huntsville; special children Patsy and Frank Countryman; grandchildren Richard McCormick, Billie Jean Pate and husband Jimmy, Jolene Hoch and husband Jeff, James Henry Howell, Regina Bates and husband Walter, Kevin Rains, Troy Beacley and wife Rachel, Jennifer and husband Michael Raley, Crystal Suarez and husband Johnny, David Raley and wife Belinda, Carrie Raley, Paul Dale Kindrex, Stevie Kindrex, Richie Kindrex, Keith Reynolds, Jr., Rodney Reynolds, Jessica and son Parker; great-grandchildren Bridgett, Starla, Dustin, Ariel, William, Taylor, Savannah, Stevie, David Wayne Bates and wife Carrie, Justin Philley and Brittany, Clay Mathew, Samantha Josephine, Calvin, Cheyenne, Stephanie, Shannon, Samuel, Suzanne, Shane, Jeffrey, Sarah, Jade, Aaron, Tevin, Nevaeh,

Jackson, Alysa, and Faith; great-great-grandchildren Jerritt, Sarah, Makayla, Dillon, Sierra, Veronica, Breanna, Sabrian, Bianca, Rylee, Lucas, Kayliegh and Patrick, who will be born in June. Preceded in death by her parents Melvin and Phenia Searcy; husband Willie "Bill" A. Reynolds; son Joe Billy Reynolds; sister Margie Wise; and two sons-in-law Jimmy Kindrex and Butch Mellette. Funeral Services for Mrs. "Josephine" Reynolds were held Saturday, May 14, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville. Interment followed in Chalk Cemetery in Walker County. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.shmfh.com. Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home

REBECCA PETERSON KNOWLS

Mrs. Rebecca Peterson Knowls, age 67 of Crockett, passed away Saturday, May 14, 2011 in the Clear Lake Regional Medical Center. Mrs. Knowls was born September 18, 1943 in Crockett, Texas and had lived in Crockett since 1996. Mrs. Knowls was retired having worked as a loan office for a mortgage company and banks. She was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church in Crockett. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16 Survivors include her daughter Audrey Graham and husband David, of Alvin; grandson Brian Graham, of Alvin; step-son Gary Knowls and wife Tess, of Lake Conroe; brother Pete Peterson and wife Jan, of Lufkin; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives; foster children Dustin and Donavan Tomlinson, of Houston. Preceded in death by her husband Allen Knowls in 2009; and parents Eugene and Reba Peterson. Funeral Services for Mrs. Rebecca Peterson Knowls were held Tuesday, May 17, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Larry Womack officiating. Interment followed in the Evergreen Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the St. Jude's Hospital. Condolences for Mrs. Knowls may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

RENEE Y. MILLER

Mrs. Renee Y. Miller, age 53 of Port St. Lucie, Florida, passed away suddenly, Tuesday, April 26, 2011 in Crockett. Mrs. Miller was born in Fort Smith, Arkansas. She had been a resident of Port St. Lucie, Florida for the past six years previously Coventry, Connecticut. Survivors include her husband Rodney Miller, of Port St. Lucie, Fla.; loving mother Lorette Cloutier, of Port St. Lucie, Fla.; one son Stephen Kuchenberg, of Abrams, Wis.; sisters Michele Cloutier, of San Francisco, Calif.; Danielle Cloutier, of Sylva, NC; Monique Cloutier, of Bristol, Conn.; Katie Doyle, of Port St. Lucie, Fla.; one niece; and one nephew. Preceded in death by her loving father Rodolphe Cloutier. A Memorial Service was held Monday, May 2, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at Veterans Park at Rivergate, 2200 SE Veterans Memorial Parkway, Port St. Lucie, FL. Contributions may be made to Dogs & Cats Forever, 9550 Carlton Road, Port St. Lucie, FL 34987, tel # (772)489-5454. Forest Hills Funeral Home

EURA GRACE BOWDOIN BROWN

Mrs. Eura Grace Bowdoin Brown, age 91 of Crockett, passed away Sunday, May 15, 2011 in the Winfield Nursing Center in Crockett. Mrs. Brown was born July 13, 1919 in Porter Springs, Texas and had lived most of her lifetime in Crockett. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. Mrs. Brown was a charter member of the Monticello Baptist Church. She was a housewife and enjoyed working in her yard and garden. Survivors include her children Norvle Brown, of Crockett, Michael Brown and wife Rhonda, of Porter Springs, Elnora Allen and husband Oscar and Troy Brown, all of Austonio; grandchildren Kim Brown Byrd, of Concord, Jeffrey Brown, of Crockett, Jennifer House and husband Cris, of Silsbee, Charles Brown, of Porter Springs, Kristin Jousan and husband Mark, of Center, Lisa McCarty and husband John, of Missouri, Oscar Earl Allen and wife Sandra, of Porter Springs, Michael Dale Allen, of Austonio and Troy "Bubba" Brown and wife Melanie, of Centerville; numerous great-grandchildren; Numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her husband of 60+years, L. N. "Jack" Brown in 2000; parents Charles William and Belle (McRae) Bowdoin; and by her brothers and sisters. Funeral Services for Mrs. Eura Grace Bowdoin Brown were held Tuesday, May 17, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Ottis

Byers officiating. Interment followed in the Porter Springs Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Good Shepherd Fellowship Church. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

IVA BELLE SMITH ENOS

Mrs. Iva Belle Smith Enos, age 99 years, 8 months, and 3 days, of Crockett, passed away Friday, May 13, 2011 in Crockett. She was a loving mother, grandmother and friend. She was born to Eugene Burton Smith and Prince Anna Dorsey Smith in Geneva, Texas, she had a unique birthday of 9-10-11 Growing up in Sabine County in far East Texas, she received her high school education graduating in the eleven years required at that time. Raising three girls from her 1st marriage during the depression years, she worked in a library and as a salesclerk in the Star Store in Beaumont, Texas. Meeting her husband of 41 years, Curtis Reason Enos, Sr., during the years of World War II, they married in 1946. The family moved to Houston County and settled in the Tadmor Community. Her step-son joined the three daughters in the family. Curtis and Iva Belle then had two children, a daughter in 1947 and a son in 1948. The family moved to Crockett in 1949 where she raised her family with Curtis Sr. until his death in 1987. She lived in her home until her recent illness. She loved her flower gardens and was tending her rose bushes as recently as last month. She was a wonderful quilt maker and a great cook. She loved for her extensive family to visit her and just talk. Her longevity can be attributed to her faith in God and her ability to find a purpose for each day. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Crockett for 62 years. Her strength, courage and independence were an inspiration to her family. Survivors include her five children Lyz Leva, of Austin, Pat Crisp, of Conroe, Sue Enos Edmiston, of Crockett, James Enos, of Angleton and Curtis Enos, Jr., of Crockett; 15 grandchildren Ron Nolan, Chuck Leva, Jenice Williamson, Gary Janssen, Allison Sperling, Kelly Doyle, Parker Edmiston, Lorin Edmiston Welsh, Julie Enos, Lisa Enos Blaha, Patrick Enos, Mike Enos, Jennifer Enos Gribble and Christopher Enos; 18 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; brother Hugh Love Smith and wife Era Mae, of Boerne; sister-in-law Annie Lee Enos Patton, of Kennard; wonderful caregivers Lenora Adams, Lynda Warfield and Dorothy Jackson. Preceded in death by her husband of 41 years of marriage, Curtis R. Enos, Sr. in 1987; daughter Juanice Nolan and son-in-law Sam Nolan; parents Eugene Burton Smith and Prince Anna Dorsey Smith; seven brothers; one infant brother; and two sisters. Funeral Services for Mrs. Iva Belle Smith Enos were held Sunday, May 15, 2011 at 2:30 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Reggie Gregory and the Rev. Tom Spath officiating. Interment followed in the Evergreen Cemetery. Pallbearers were Charles Gene Johnson, Walter Enos, Chria Von Doenhoff, Jack Patton, A.C. Rains, Jimmy Dawson and Louis Cook. Honorary Pallbearers were Ron Nolan, Mike Nolan, Gary Janssen, Chuck Leva, Parker Edmiston, Patrick Enos, Mike Enos, Christopher Enos, Mark Gribble and Chris Welsh. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Monroe-Crook House, P.O. Box 1251, Crockett, Texas 75835 or the First Baptist Church Library Fund Crockett, Texas. Condolences for Mrs. Enos can be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

ARTHUR RANDOLPH CUPP

Mr. Arthur Randolph Cupp, age 67 of Centerville, passed away with his two beloved daughters holding his hand Tuesday, May 10, 2011 in The Woodlands. Mr. Cupp was born September 23, 1943 in Houston, Texas to Clifton and May Cupp. He served in the United States Army and had lived in Houston before moving to Centerville about 20 years ago. Mr. Cupp worked as a licensed electrician and could often be found at the Woody's Shell Stations #1 and #2 doing handy work and delivering ice. Before his health failed him, Mr. Cupp enjoyed fishing and hunting and hosting get-togethers for his family. Survivors include his daughters Tressa Howe and Kenneth Lee and Renaye Hanson, all of Magnolia; step-daughters Cynthia Putman, of Midway and Brenda Engle, of Little Rock, Ark.; brother John Cupp and wife Wanda, of Lovelady; three sisters Ila Dale Bailey and husband Gene, of Houston, Ann Francho, of San Antonio and Bobbie Barker and husband Arthur, of Austin; and two granddaughters Jennifer Moquin, of Little Rock, Ark. and Ashley Moquin of Magnolia. Preceded in death by his parents Clifton and May Cupp; step-father W. A. Stone; and brother-in-law Henry Francho. Funeral Services for Mr. Arthur Randolph Cupp were held Monday, May 16, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. at the Walters Funeral Home in Centerville. Interment with memorial honors presented by the

United States Army followed in the Holly Cemetery near Lovelady. Pallbearers were Gene Bailey, Kenneth Lee, John Cupp, David Pruitt, Mike Patton and Hollis Marlow. Honorary Pallbearer was Charles Teese. Condolences for Mr. Cupp or to sign the online memorial guestbook and view a video memorial tribute www.waltersfuneralhome.com Walters Funeral Home

RENE HELEN PRAGER

Ms. Rene Helen Prager, age 37, passed away this morning Friday, May 13, 2011 in Grapeland. Ms. Prager was born April 2, 1974 in Alpine, Texas to June Prager and Harry Prager. She graduated at Cushing High School and was a star basketball player. Ms. Prager was gifted in making people laugh as well as showing compassion for all. She had a warm heart and a bright smile for everyone always interested in those less fortunate. Her dream was to raise her daughter Jessi to love the Lord, praise his excellence, and express her God-given qualities. She also hoped one day to go into nursing or counseling to help others. She was also known for her gifted talent with horses breaking, training, and showing - and for her athletic skills as well. Rene had a strong spirit, a pure faith in God, and had been yearning for self-worth, peace and eternal happiness. Now she has it. Peace be with her, our loving Rene. She is loved and missed by all, but know that she is with God and can see Him as He is now. Survivors include her loving daughter Jessi Lynn Cunningham and Jessi's father Glenn Cunningham, both of Grapeland; parents June Prager, of NM and Harry Prager, of San Angelo; brother Roan Prager, of Crockett; sister Wendy Prager, of Albuquerque, NM; nieces and nephew Ariel and Ivan Velhasquez, of Albuquerque, NM and Haven Prager, of Crockett; aunt Helen Oiestad, of MT; uncle Allen Fausett, of Brownsville; and numerous other relatives and friends. Memorial Services for Ms. Rene Helen Prager was held Tuesday, May 17, 2011 at 2:30 p.m. at Good Shepherd Fellowship with the Rev. Ottis Byers officiating. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

ANNA LOYCE HUGHES

Mrs. Anna Loyce Hughes, age 79 of Crockett, passed away Sunday, May 15, 2011 in the East Texas Medical Center-Crockett. Mrs. Hughes was born February 11, 1932 in Grapeland, Texas and had lived all of her lifetime in Crockett. Mrs. Hughes was a housewife and a member of the Union Chapel Baptist Church in Grapeland. Survivors include her son Bill Hughes and wife Sandra, of Crockett; daughter Anita Whitehead and husband Joel, of Blackfoot; grandchildren James Currie, of Fort Worth, Sonya Crawford, of Tennessee Colony, William Hughes, Jr. of Mo., Pam Morris, of Pinehurst, Diana Kimich, Stacy Watkins, both of Crockett, Stephanie Hughes and Christina Hughes, both of Mo.; numerous great-grandchildren; sisters Marie Smith, of Crockett and Debra McCormack and husband Michael, of Rusk; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her husband J. B. Hughes, Sr.; and sons Randy Lee Hughes and J. B. Hughes, Jr. Funeral Services for Mrs. Anna Loyce Hughes were held Friday, May 20, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. John Goss and Daniel Stone officiating. Interment followed in the Denson Cemetery. Condolences for Mrs. Hughes may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

REBA BANTA SEWELL

Mrs. Reba Banta Sewall, age 95, passed away peacefully Sunday, May 15, 2011 at Prospect Park Living Center in Estes Park, Colorado. Mrs. Sewell was born in Medina, Texas on July 9, 1915 to Emma Mayfield Banta and Ernest John Banta. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Crockett, where she lived much of her life. She loved playing bridge, doing needlework and being with family. Mrs. Sewell created many beautiful pieces of crochet, counted cross-stitch and needlepoint, which will be passed down to her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Survivors include one daughter Sara Sewall Huth and husband Bill, of Estes Park, Colo.; two grand-daughters Jenny Huth Hough of Frisco and Kimberly Ann Ziegler and husband Mike of Denver, Colo.; one grandson Kevin Sewall of Plano; she was expecting her first great-grandchild, a boy, in August, 2011; two nieces Patty (Jesse) Martinez, of Aransas Pass and Marjorie (Doug) Watkins of Medina. Preceded in death by her husband of 49 years, Albert Newton Sewall Sr.; one son Albert Newton (Bobby) Sewall Jr.; and brother Chester Banta. Graveside Services will be held Monday, May 30, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. at the Oak Rest Cemetery in Medina, Texas.

BOBBY SNELL

Mr. Bobby Snell, age 66 of Mapleton, passed away Wednesday, May 18, 2011. Mr. Snell was born July 28, 1944 in Houston County and had lived all of his lifetime in Houston County. Mr. Snell was a member of the Austonio Baptist Church, a farmer for all of his life, a long time basketball referee, Cofounder of Lovelady Little League, baseball coach, Austonio 4-H Leader, former Lovelady ISD School Board member, current Board Member of Consolidated Water Board, honorary Lovelady FFA member, first President of the Austonio Community Center, and a former member of the Austonio Volunteer Fire Department. Survivors include his wife Gloria Snell, of Mapleton; son Keith Snell and wife Sandy, of Snook; daughter Tonya Patton and husband Randy, of San Antonio; grandchildren Sylvia McCammon and husband Matt, of Southaven, Miss., Kelsey Patton, Kyler Patton, both of San Antonio, Whitney Snell, and T. J. Snell, both of Snook; mother Myrl Snell, of Crockett.; special father figure Jake Caprielian and wife Jill, of Crockett; sister-in-law Liz Snell, of Palestine; numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and all of the 7J Family. Preceded in death by his father Charlie Snell; and two brothers. Funeral Services for Mr. Bobby Snell were held Saturday, May 21, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Austonio Baptist Church with the Rev. Ottis Byers and the Rev. Harold Shirley officiating. Interment followed in the Mississippi Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Austonio Baptist Church, 16832 FM 1280, Crockett, Texas 75835. Condolences for Mr. Snell may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

JACKIE BICKHAM

Mrs. Jackie Bickham, age 81 of Crockett, passed away Friday, May 20, 2011 in the M D Anderson Cancer Center in Houston. Mrs. Bickham was born March 21, 1930 in Collins, Mississippi and had been living in Crockett since 1970. Mrs. Bickham received her Bachelor's degree from Mississippi Southern University and Master's degree from Sam Houston State University. She was a teacher having taught in Vidor, Mauriceville, Tomball, Centerville, Navasota, Grapeland, Crockett and retired from Lovelady I. S. D. Mrs. Bickham really enjoyed teaching special needs children and was a member of the Shady Grove First Baptist Church. Survivors include her husband John Bickham, of Crockett; sons John Calvin Bickham III, of Crockett and Mark Gawain Bickham and wife Catherine, of Livingston; daughter Debra Colleen Bickham Burgin and husband John, of Starks, La.; grandchildren Anthony Bickham, of Tyler, Amy Bickham Offutt and husband Brandon, of Austin and Jerrod Cole Bickham, of Livingston; sisters Rhoda Ann Cole Yawn, of Danville Ark., Jon Doris Cole Alley and husband Jack, of Burnsville, N C; brother Carl Herman Cole and wife Elaine, of Collins, Miss.; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her parents Jessie Robert Cole and Dilla Elizabeth Rawls Cole; sisters and brothers Lena Cole Allen, S. D. Cole, Cordie Cole D'Amico, Edna Earl Cole Boyce and Hulon Cole. Funeral Services for Mrs. Jackie Bickham were held Monday, May 23, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Shady Grove First Baptist Church with the Rev. Lowery officiating. Graveside Services followed at 2:30 p.m. in the Deweyville Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 212 Gene Samford Drive, Lufkin, Texas 75904. Condolences for Mrs. Bickham may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

KERRY RAE DOWDY

Mrs. Kerry Rae Dowdy, age 48 of Crockett, passed away May 23, 2011 at her residence. Mrs. Dowdy was born May 3, 1963 in Webb City, Missouri and had been living in Crockett for the past 12 years. Mrs. Dowdy had worked for the Resale Shop in Crockett. Survivors include her husband Stacey Dowdy, of Crockett; daughter Amanda Lee and Shane Smith, of Lufkin; sons Adam Lee and wife Kandace, of Crockett and Clinton Lee and wife Rachel, of Bay City; parents Garry and Doris McDaniel, of Carl Junction, MO; brothers Michael McDaniel, of Carl Junction, MO, Bradley McDaniel and wife Alisha, of Joplin, MO and Christopher McDaniel and wife Shannon, of Carl Junction, MO; grandchildren Dalton, Summer, Alexis, Emily, Andrew, Brice and Skyler, Payden, Carrigan, Kaylyn, Elija and Silas; step-children Jason Dowdy, of Pecos and Jessica McCommas, of

Ark.. Funeral Services for Mrs. Kerry Rae Dowdy were held Thursday, May 26, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Steve Meadows officiating. Interment followed in the Mt. Vernon Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 212 Gene Samford Drive, Lufkin, Texas 75904. Condolences for Mrs. Dowdy may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

MARIE BEAVERS

Mrs. Marie Beavers, age 91 of Crockett, passed away Monday, May 23, 2011 in the East Texas Medical Center-Crockett. Mrs. Beavers was born November 10, 1919 in Houston County, Texas and had been living in Crockett for many years. She was retired from the University of Houston Bookstore having worked 15 years. Mrs. Beavers was a member of the Central Baptist Church of Crockett. Survivors include her sons Jerry Beavers and wife Karen and Larry Beavers, all of Crockett; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her husband Lonnie Beavers; son Wayne Beavers; parents Zeb S. and Audrey (Allbright) Huntsman; brothers Nolan Huntsman and Gary Huntsman; and sisters Ruth Driskell and Bertha Huntsman. Memorial Services for Mrs. Marie Beavers will be held Monday, May 30, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. John Goss officiating. Condolences for Mrs. Beavers may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

WILLIAM H. DRISKELL

Mr. William H. Driskell, age 87, passed away peacefully Wednesday, May 11, 2011 in Boerne. Mr. Driskell the youngest of seven children was born September 9, 1923 in Crockett to Willie McDaniel and James David Driskell. A great-great-nephew of General Ben McCulloch, He enjoyed studying Texas and Civil War history. He was a charter member of Hood's Texas Brigade Association. Mr. Driskell was a long time member of Memorial Drive United Methodist Church. He served his country in the Navy during WWII. During his business career in Houston, He was widely known for his reputation of unfailing integrity, whether it be in banking or sales. He was a true gentleman. "He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." Micah 6:8. Survivors include his loving wife of 60 happy years, Mattie Jean; devoted children Nancy Driskell, Susan Driskell Bowers and husband Greg, William Ralph Driskell and wife Robyn; grandsons Paul Thomas Bowers, William Gregory Bowers and William Blake Driskell; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Nancy and Bill McCarty; and five nephews and one niece. A Memorial Service for Mr. William H. Driskell will be held Saturday, June 4, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. at Memorial Drive United Methodist Church, 12955 Memorial Drive, Houston, Texas. Memorials in Mr. Driskell's memory may be given to the Caring Forever Fund of Memorial Drive United Methodist Church.

ROBERT LEE BOSTICK

Mr. Robert Lee Bostick, age 85, departed this life to be with the Lord on Sunday, April 24, 2011 in Houston. Mr. Bostick was born February 14, 1926 in Rusk, Texas in Cherokee County. He met the love of his life, Hazel, through family and friends, and after a three-year courtship, they married in 1952 in Little Rock, Arkansas. They made their home there until he was drafted in 1954. Mr. Bostick proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Korean War from 1954 – 1956. Military service took him to San Juan Puerto Rico where he was stationed at Fort Buchanan. Hazel joined him for much of the time he was stationed there. Upon his discharge they returned to Little Rock and their daughter was born later that year. They moved to Houston in 1958 and made their home in this area where they lived the remainder of their lives. He accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior at the age of 37. He was an ordained deacon and faithfully served for many years. Even in his later years, He continued to live a life of service to others. He had the gift of connecting with people, always finding a common denominator for establishing a relationship and therefore never met a stranger. Mr. Bostick was a loving and devoted son, brother, husband, father, grandfather, uncle and friend. He lived a life of integrity, never had an unkind word for anyone, and he was the quintessential family man that led by example and took pleasure in nurturing those he loved. Mr. Bostick retired from the United States Post Office in 1986. In his retirement years, he continued to do the things he enjoyed but just more of them. He loved to garden, and the yard was always full of plants and flowers. There was always a backyard vegetable garden and out of the abundance, he would give away more than he kept. His guitar was always close at hand and he would often entertain visitors and looked forward to the annual family reunion and playing with others on Saturday night. Mr. Bostick was interested in genealogy and had traced his family back to Scotland in the 1600s. He tracked down many individuals during his research and established relationships that endure today. He loved his family and routinely kept in touch with extended family members coast-to-coast. He was a voracious reader throughout his life. He enjoyed history, politics, and economics and loved to discuss ideas and was always ready for a good debate. His favorite book was the Bible which you would see him reading and meditating on each day. "Hear me as I pray, O Lord. Be merciful and answer me! My heart has heard you say, Come and talk with me. And my heart responds, Lord, I am coming." Psalm 27:7-8 NLT Survivors include his daughter and husband Karen and Mike Duncan, of Katy; grandson Jarrod Black and wife Kari, of Houston; sister Nellie Bell; brother Harold Bostick and wife Laverne; and numerous nieces and nephews and extended family members. Preceded in death by his loving wife of 58 years, Hazel Jane Melton Bostick; parents Charlie and Willie Mae Bostick; sisters Mattie Vann, Lola Ownby, Ila Bradbury, Martha Cammack and Bernice Lightner; brothers James Bostick, William Bostick and Leon Bostick. Funeral Services for Mr. Robert Lee Bostick were held Wednesday, April 27, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. at Kingsland Baptist Church, Katy, Texas, with the Reverend Alex Kennedy officiating. Graveside Service were held Thursday, April 28, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. in Lynches Chapel Cemetery in Alto, Texas. Memorial Oaks Funeral Home

ANN BOULWARE

Mrs. Ann Boulware, age 82 of Kennard, passed away Sunday, April 24, 2011 in the East Texas Medical Center-Tyler. Mrs. Boulware was born October 30, 1928 in Miami, New Mexico and had lived in Kennard. Mrs. Boulware was a housewife. Survivors include her husband of 62 years, Bill Boulware, of Kennard; son Jerry Boulware and wife Dottie, of Whitehouse; grandchildren Jerry Boulware, Jr. and wife Tonia, of Whitehouse, Cody Boulware and wife Tiffany, of Tyler and Eric Boulware and wife Holli, of Portsmouth, Va.; great-grandchildren Chelsey, Ashlyn, Hanna, Jade, Kaden, Eliza, Grayson and Carlyle; sisters Rosie Brown, Charlotte Kallenbach, Norma Milburn, Gladys Goodwin and Bonnie Salazar; brothers Leonard Baker, LeRoy Salazar and Gene Salazar; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her sons Dale Boulware and David Boulware. Memorial Services for Mrs. Ann Boulware were held Wednesday, April 27, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Jim Durham officiating. Condolences for Mrs. Boulware may be left online obituaries at www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

JOHN R. MCLEOD

Mr. John R. McLeod, age 90 of Grapeland, passed away Wednesday, April 27, 2011 in Crockett. Mr. McLeod was born September 12, 1920 in Augusta to Jacob Edward McLeod and Bertie Lou Moore McLeod. He served as Houston County Commissioner for 24 years and was a retired rancher. Mr. McLeod was a member of Liberty Hill United Methodist Church and school board member of Glover High School and an avid domino player. Survivors include his wife of 70 plus years, Mattie Clark Driskill McLeod; daughter Frances Jean McCaslin and husband Monroe; four sons Bobby McLeod and wife Bennie, James D. McLeod and wife Jeanne, Ronnie McLeod and wife Jean and Jerry McLeod and wife Betty; one sister Tennie Frances Chelf; 13 grand-children, 22 great-grandchildren; and two great-great grandchildren. Preceded in death by his parents Jacob Edward McLeod and Bertie Lou Moore McLeod; sister Inez Edwards; four brothers Curtis, Claude Norman and Leon McLeod. Funeral Services for Mr. John R. McLeod were held Saturday, April 30, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. at Liberty Hill United Methodist Church with Pastor Roger B. Craiker and the Rev. Jack Chelf, Jr. officiating. Interment followed in Augusta Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Keith McLeod. To view online, leave condolences or sign guest book go to www.baileyandfosterfuneralhome.com Bailey & Foster Funeral

REVEREND JAMES "JIM" BRADLEY

Reverend James "Jim" Bradley, age 53 of Tenaha, passed away Thursday, April 14, 2011 at his home. Reverend Bradley was born July 9, 1957 in Pasadena to James Ronald Bradley and Glory Dawn Lacewell Bradley. Reverend Bradley had been a United Methodist minister for eleven years. He was a member of the American Legion, and was a board member for the Hope Clinic and Tenaha Housing Authority. Reverend Bradley also served in the U.S. Navy. Survivors include his wife of 32 years, Leslie Bradley, of Tenaha; sons Wes Bradley and wife Victoria, of Germany and Ron Bradley, of Tenaha; daughter Katie Weeks and husband William, of Lufkin; grandchildren Jonathan Bradley and Mary Ann Bradley; Mother Glory Cooper, of Nacogdoches; sisters Pam Porter and husband Charlie, of Nacogdoches and Linda Walker and husband Jimmy, of Humble; also numerous nieces, nephews and a host of friends. Preceded in death by his father James Ronald Bradley; brother Keith Wayne Bradley; and niece Anne Harrell. Funeral Services for Reverend James "Jim" Bradley were held Monday, April 18, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. at First Methodist Church in Tenaha with Bro. Rick Sitton officiating. Interment followed in Wesley Chapel in Houston County. Online condolences and tributes can be sent at www.watsonandsonsfuneralhome.com Watson & Sons Funeral Home

JUDGE RAYBURN WAYNE LAWRENCE

Judge Rayburn Wayne Lawrence, age 90, passed from this world into eternal life with Jesus Christ on Friday, April 15, 2011, at Cartmell Home in Palestine. Judge Lawrence was born November 3, 1920, in Logan, Texas to Robert Crittenton Lawrence and Arizona Adams Lawrence. He graduated from Groveton High School in 1937 as Salutatorian and was a member of the debate team that won district honors as well as being an all district quarterback in football. In the fall of 1937 he entered the College of Marshall (now East Texas Baptist University) at the age of 16. In 1939 he graduated from that institution and then completed his Bachelors Degree at the University of Texas, majoring in History with a minor in English and graduating prior to the outbreak of WWII in 1941. During the War he served 44 months in the US Navy with 33 of those months being at sea in the Pacific on the Destroyer USS Wilson DD 408, attaining the rank of Lieutenant Senior Grade. After the war he returned to Texas and worked out of Brownsville for the Texas Company (Texaco) for 3 years as their Zone Representative along the Texas/Mexico border. In 1947 he married his sweetheart Evelina Martin from Apple Springs. In 1949 they moved to Waco, Texas to begin his studies at Baylor University School of Law. Graduation occurred in 1952, and he and Evelina moved to Teague, Texas for about a year. They moved to Palestine in 1953, and he has lived here ever since. That year the family became members of First Baptist Church and have been members since then. Over the years he enjoyed serving as a Sunday School teacher at times and is a Deacon of the church. Early on he was in private practice involved in cases from Municipal Court level to the Supreme Court of Texas. He began his judicial career as Palestine City Judge from 1955 to 1958. Then he was elected Anderson County Judge and served from 1962 to 1964. In 1964 he retired as County Judge to run for District Judge of the Third Judicial District. He was elected, took office in January 1965, ran unopposed 7 times and retired in 1995 after 31 years of service. In 1993 he was awarded the Outstanding Jurist Award in Texas given by the Texas Bar Foundation which recognizes exceptional achievement in competency and integrity on the bench. He was recently honored by the Palestine Rotary Club for having been a continuous member for 54 years since 1957. He spoke at innumerable ceremonies and occasions during his career and served on many boards, committees and associations. His favorite Bible verse and one he often quoted is from Micah 6:8 which says "and what does the Lord require of you but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God" Survivors include his son Robert Martin Lawrence and daughter-in-law Debra Hendrick Lawrence; brother Tracy Nelson Lawrence and wife Elma Lee Lawrence; (sister of Evelina Lawrence); sister-in-law Florine Welsh Lawrence widow of Price Winton "Slim" Lawrence; and a host of nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by his parents Robert Crittenton Lawrence and Arizona Adams Lawrence; wife Evelina Lawrence; second wife Layneigha

Chapman Lawrence; and special friend Dorthy Collins; four brothers and sisters who either died at birth or as infants, as well as Bobbie Fargarson, Bonnie Pope, Rev. Noble S. Lawrence, Opal Chapman, and twins, Robert Quintmon Lawrence and Price Winton Lawrence. Funeral Services for Judge Rayburn Wayne Lawrence were held Sunday, April 17, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. in First Baptist Church Palestine with the Rev. Jay Abernathy and Dr. Richard Waters officiating. Interment followed in Roselawn Park Cemetery. Pallbearers were nephews Lawrence Ray Chapman, Frank Chapman, Noble S. "Buzz" Lawrence, Mike Pope, Jim Lawrence and Johnny Lawrence. Honorary Pallbearers were members of the Anderson, Henderson and Houston County Bar Associations. The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorial donations, if desired, be made to: First Baptist Church of Palestine, Texas, 5700 N. Loop 256, Palestine, TX 75801 or Baylor University School of Law, 1114 South University Parks Drive, Waco, TX 76798. To leave condolences or sign guest book go to www.baileyandfosterfuneralhome.com Bailey & Foster Funeral Home

NANCY CAROL LIVELY

Mrs. Nancy Carol Lively, entered this world on July 6, 1947, and peacefully departed for heaven on April 18, 2011. A devoted wife, mom, sister and grandmother, She devoted her life to the compassion and care of others. She selected the nursing profession in order to care for those who could not care for themselves. In this same selfless fashion, she, along with friend Juanita Brenner, went on to open and operate the first home health care in Houston County, Houston County Home Health Care. This was her passion for many years, and there are numerous families and individuals who benefitted from her soft, caring hands. She will always be treasured and remembered for those days in which she placed others comfort above her own and delivered caring service above self. Mrs. Lively was also famous for taking in a disabled or sick animal a time or two in her life, to include rabbits, deer, ferrets, coons and many, many puppies! This was her passion, and she will always be treasured and remembered for her kind acts! Survivors include her husband Don Lively, of Grapeland; sons Troy Harrison and wife Kathy, of Pasadena and Randy Lively and wife Sissy, of Grapeland, daughter Tracie Credeur and husband Barry, of Pasadena; grandchildren Donovan and Dalton Harrison, Savanah, Shanna, Shane, Lexie and Dodd Credeur, and Haylei and Colton Lively; sisters Sandy Duren and husband Jimmy, Pam Evans and husband Warren Joe; half-sister Carla Giles; numerous other family members and friends. Preceded in death by her parents Carl and Betty Rich; and sister Linda Welch. A celebration of life and accomplishments for Mrs. Nancy Carol Lively were held Wednesday, April 20, 2011, at 10:00 a.m., at Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel in Crockett with the Rev. Kenny Bush officiating. Interment followed in the Percilla Evergreen Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Myasthenia Gravis Foundation, 355 Lexington Avenue, 15th Floor, New York, NY 10017-6603 or Alzheimer's Foundation, 322 Eighth Ave., 7th floor, New York, NY 10001. The memory of Nancy shall remain in our hearts forever. Condolences for Mrs. Lively may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

VENCIE LEE BEARD

Mr. Vencie Lee Beard, age 74 of Latexo, born August 23, 1936 in Houston County, Texas, passed away April 16, 2011. Mr. Beard was a member of the North Loop Baptist Church. Survivors include his mother Maydelle Brown; brothers Doyle Beard, Charles Beard, Michael Brown; children Scott Beard and Pam Johnson; grandchildren Brandon Beard, Lindsay Beard, Chase Johnson, Megan Johnson; and great-grandchildren. Graveside Services for Mr. Vencie Lee Beard were held Thursday, April 21, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in Latexo Cemetery with the Rev. Dennis Lowery officiating. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to North Loop Baptist Church. Condolences for Mr. Beard may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

MELBA STEWART BEARD

Mrs. Melba Stewart Beard, age 71, of Latexo, passed away Saturday, April 16, 2011 at her residence. Mrs. Beard was born November 25, 1939 in Lovelady, Texas and had lived in Latexo most of her lifetime. She was retired from the Crockett Housing Authority having worked as an executive director and had went back to work for the Crockett Housing Authority as a deputy director. Mrs. Beard was a member of the North Loop Baptist Church in Crockett. Survivors include her daughters Beverly Gilmore and husband Darrell and Janet Hopkins and husband Terry, all of Latexo; grandchildren Jake Gilmore and wife Nikki, of Hugoton, Kan., Matt Hopkins, of Latexo, Jeremy Hopkins and wife Jessica, of Crockett; great-grandchildren, Jace Gilmore, Clay Johannsen, Rustyn Gilmore, all of Hugoton, Kan. and Natalie Grace Hopkins, of Crockett; brothers Jonny Paul Stewart and wife Kathryn, of Houston County Lake, Donald Harold Stewart and wife Shirley, Bobby Lee Stewart and wife Avalon, all of Lovelady and Billy Ray Stewart and wife Rosemary, of Houston; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her parents Sherman and Sylvia Stewart; and nephew Johnny Lee Stewart. She was married to Vencie L. Beard for 20+ years of Latexo who also passed away on April 16, 2011. Funeral Services for Mrs. Melba Stewart Beard were held Thursday, April 21, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Harvest Church with the Rev. Dennis Lowery and the Rev. Dennis Ivey officiating. Interment followed in the Latexo Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the North Loop Baptist Church. Condolences for Mrs. Melba Stewart Beard may be left online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

GLYN B. COOK

Mr. Glyn B. Cook, age 89 of Crockett, passed away Thursday, April 21, 2011 in Crockett. Mr. Cook was born September 19, 1921 to William Hull Cook and Minnie Mae Brewton Cook of Porter Springs and lived in Houston County where he graduated from Crockett High School in 1938. On February 1, 1941 he married his sweetheart Georgie Lavenia McDonald and recently celebrated 70 years of marriage. He was a World War II U. S. Army veteran having served in the China-Burma-India Theatre. After his return from the war he and his wife and three young sons lived in Nacogdoches before locating to Houston where he worked for Armco Steel until his retirement in 1977. Mr. Cook enjoyed his retirement years living in the the Ash Community, working in his garden, tending his livestock, and volunteering in the Ash and Austonio communities where he had many friends. He attended the Ash Church of Christ with his wife. Mr. Cook was known in the community as "B" Cook, but his grandchildren affectionately called him Pawpaw. They loved and respected him and always knew there was room for one more on "Pawpaw's knee." He loved and was proud of them all. Survivors include his wife of 70 years, Georgie Lavenia McDonald Cook, of the Ash Community; sons Glyn McDonald Cook and wife Norma, of The Woodlands, William Michael Cook and wife Emma, of Bryan and Jimmie Lynn Cook and wife Susan, of New Waverly; grandchildren, Traci Cook Lee and husband Richard, of Fort Worth, Jeffrey Cook, of Alexandria, Va., William Michael Cook, Jr. and wife Missy, of Houston, Mark Willis Cook and wife Tracey, of Pa., Christopher Scott Cook and wife Kristi, of Pflugerville and Marcy Rebecca Pullen and husband Lucas, of Oxford, Md.; greatgrandchildren Barrett, Stephanie and Kale, Brandy, Maggie and Bryan, Alyson, Emily, John Thomas, Ethan, Tucker, Cheyenne and Levi; great-great-grandchildren Fletcher, Brooklyn, Anderson, Brayden and Bradley; several nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by granddaughter Anna Caryn Cook; parents William Hull Cook and Minnie Mae Brewton Cook; four brothers and four sisters. Funeral Services for Mr. Glyn B. Cook will be held Monday, April 25, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel. Interment will follow in the Evergreen Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation, 1100 W. 49th Street Room #G408, Austin, Texas 78756. Condolences for Mr. Cook may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

PAT WILLINGHAM

Mrs. Pat Willingham, age 78 of Houston, passed away April 20, 2011. Survivors include her children Ronald Keith Willingham and wife Jeanie, Rickey Lee Willingham and Renee Jean Holsinger and husband Steve; sisters Alma Drake, Merle Jatzlau and Edith Van Horne; grandchildren Shane and wife Michelle, Shaunna and husband Josh, Justin and wife Katherine, Ashley and husband Kerry, Steve Jr.; great-grandchildren Marshall, Michael, Lance (L.C.), Alex, Breanna, Stevie, Chasidy, Coral, Ashton, Ali, Garrett and Raelynn. Preceded in death by her beloved husband L.C. Willingham; and a granddaughter Elyssa Patrice. Funeral Services for Mrs. Pat Willingham will be held Tuesday, April 26, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Rosewood Funeral Home in Humble. Graveside Services will follow at 2:00 p.m. in the Creek Cemetery. Rosewood Funeral Home

EBILENE REYNOLDS

Mrs. Ebilene Reynolds, age 86 of Lumberton, formerly of Houston, passed away Wednesday, April 13, 2011 at her residence. Mrs. Reynolds was born February 6, 1925 in Houston County, Texas and had lived most of her lifetime in Houston. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. Mrs. Reynolds was a housewife and attended the Cedar Point Church. Survivors include her son Jim Reynolds and wife Marcia, of Lovelady; daughter Stacey Hughes and husband Royce, of Lumberton; grandchildren John Reynolds and wife Michelle, of Kingwood, Stephanie Reynolds, of College Station and Cameron Hughes, of Lumberton; great-granddaughters Alison Reynolds and Meredith Reynolds, of Kingwood; sister Billie Brunson, of Travis County; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her husband Harold Reynolds; and parents Bill and Effie (Patton) Vaughn. Graveside Funeral Services for Mrs. Ebilene Reynolds were held Friday, April 15, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Evergreen Memorial Park with the Rev. Tom Spath officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the First Presbyterian Church, 715 E. Goliad, Crockett, Tx. 75835. Condolences for Mrs. Reynolds may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

WILLIAM RICHARD SUDLOW

Mr. William Richard Sudlow, age 88 of Belton, passed away Tuesday, April 12, 2011 in Austin. Mr. Sudlow was born October 1, 1922 to Richard and Inez E. (Gotthardt) Sudlow in Rock Island, IL. He graduated from high school in Rock Island, IL, and attended Augusta College. Mr. Sudlow proudly served in the US Army Air Corp as a Navigator during WWII and was awarded the Air Medal with 3 Clusters and the Distinguished Flying Cross (DFC). He received a Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Houston in 1949. Mr. Sudlow married Wanda Katherine (Sally) Sheeley July 19, 1945 in Nashville, Tennessee. They moved to Temple in 1978 from Houston. He is a member of St. Luke's Catholic Church in Temple, where he served as a Eucharistic Minister. He was chapter chairman of the local Texas Association of Business, a member of the Temple Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the American Legion in Belton. He retired from Texas Instruments in 1983 after he and Sally became the owners of a local business, Brazos Stamp and Engraving. Survivors include his son Bill Sudlow Jr. and wife Liz, of Temple; two daughters Susan Grisham and husband Stan, of The Woodlands and Stephanie Bannon, of Austin; sister Sue Grampp, of Ariz.; six grandchildren Vaughn Grisham and wife Jenny, Shawn Dinh and husband Ouan, Crystal Fulbright, Sarah Sudlow, Kristine Bannon, and Stephen Sudlow; four great-grandchildren Henry Grisham, Hana, Jonah and Noah Dinh. Preceded in death his wife Sally; and son-in-law Patrick Bannon. A Christian Funeral Mass will be celebrated Monday April 18, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Luke's Catholic Church in Temple, with Father Don Loftin officiating. Contributions in memory of Bill Sudlow may be sent to St Luke's Catholic Church, 2807 Oakdale Drive, Temple, Texas 76502.

EDNA KNIGHTEN LARUE

Mrs. Edna Knighten LaRue, age 79 of Lovelady, passed away Friday, April 1, 2011 in the East Texas Medical Center-Crockett. Mrs. LaRue was born June 16, 1931 in Pearsons Chapel and had lived in Lovelady most of her lifetime. She was a member of the Lovelady First Baptist Church and attended Antioch Baptist Church. Mrs. LaRue was retired having worked as a beautician. Survivors include her husband John H. LaRue, of Lovelady; daughter Patricia Ann Tillman, of Houston; grandchildren Michael Champagne and wife Ashley, of Abilene, Eric Champagne and wife Sharon, of Dickenson, David Champagne and wife Jennifer, of DuPont, Wash.; great-grandsons Caden, Jessie and one on the way; step-children John David LaRue and wife Debbie, of Houston, Gary LaRue and wife Laurel, of Lovelady, Tommy LaRue and wife Jennie, of Galveston and Steve LaRue and friend Anna Boyd, of Red Oak; brother Kenneth "Bugs" Knighten, of Crockett; numerous step-grandchildren; one step-great-grandchild; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her brothers Avon Knighten, Troy Knighten; and sisters Billie Weeks, Joyce Harrelson and Wanda Kennedy. Funeral Services for Mrs. Edna Knighten LaRue were held Tuesday, April 5, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the

Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Scott Matthews officiating. Interment followed in the Center Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Lovelady First Baptist Church, 229 W. Read St., Lovelady, Texas 75851 or Center Hill Cemetery Association, P. O. Box 563, Crockett, Texas 75835. Condolences for Mrs. LaRuemay be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

FRANCES THERESA KEELAND OVERSTREET

Mrs. Theresa Overstreet, age 96 of Crockett, passed away Sunday, April 3, 2011 peacefully at home with her family. Mrs. Overstreet was born June 25, 1914 in Grapeland, Texas. She moved to Crockett, Texas in 1927 where her father and mother, William E. "Bill" Keeland and Frances Royall Keeland, started their business. Mrs. Overstreet was married to Robert Clifford "Bob" Overstreet Sr. for 55 years. Mrs. Overstreet was a very active person. She loved hunting and spending time with her family. Most of her time was spent watching her grandchildren in every different sport. There was never an activity that she missed. She loved to watch horse racing, Wheel of Fortune, and even playing guitar hero at the age of 95! She was a very loving daughter, mother, and grandmother. She had a very humorous and out-going personality. Mrs. Overstreet was a member of the First Baptist Church and loved to be involved in activities. She served as director of Nursery for 25 years. She also taught in the junior and adult department of the church. Other activities include the Baptist Training Union and Girls Auxiliary. Mrs. Overstreet was a proud founding member of the Jarrell Beasley chapter of NSDAR. She attended the organizational meeting hosted by Miss Nell Beasley in the home of her sister Mrs. Gail King. Mrs. RD Evans, the State Organizing Chairman, met with them. Their first official meeting was held at the Kings Inn. Mrs. Overstreet served as the State Chairman on the Conservation Committee and won a first place national award. This award was the first won for Texas. She also was a delegate for about 22 years at the State Conference in Houston, Texas. Mrs. Overstreet is the descendent of Francis Epps of Virginia and a member of the Killough family. She belonged to many genealogical organizations as in Daughter of American Colonies, Jamestown Society, Colonial Dames of America, and Magna Carta Dames. Mrs. Overstreet was a member of the Magnolia Garden Club, the Culture Club of Crockett, Cadman Club, and Choral Club. She was a member of the Spring Creek Country Club, the Tuesday Sewing Club, the Downs Aldrich Corporation, and served as the Chairman of Historical Research. She was a member of many more various organizations. Survivors include her son R.C. "Bob" Overstreet Jr. and wife Michele Overstreet, of Crockett; daughter Frances Overstreet Tabor and husband Tommy Mack Tabor, of Crockett; grandchildren Stacy Overstreet Selman and husband Troy Selman, of Hunstville, Sabrina Overstreet Driskell and husband Jim Driskell, of Prosper, R. C. "Bob" Overstreet III and wife Tabitha Overstreet, of Spring Branch and their mother Bonnie Deckard, of Crockett, Kimberly Ann Canada, of Crockett and friend Lamar Jones, of Grapeland, Tommy Mack "TJ" Tabor Jr., of Midland and friend Raechell Bruner, Katelyn Renee' Carmichael and friend Bradley McLendon, of Crockett; niece Mary Jane Byrd, of Houston; nephew Bobby Overstreet, of Fort Worth; great-grandchildren Chayse and Jude Driskell, Braddox Overstreet, Courtney and Ty Huff, Madison and Emilee Phillips and Macy Walker; special cousin Craig Keeland, of Dallas; special friend Minnie Pearl Riley, of Crockett. Preceded in death by her husband Robert Clifford Overstreet Sr.; mother and father Frances Royall Keeland and William Edward Keeland; sister and brother-in-law Jane Dawson and Dooley Dawson; grandchildren Melissa Huff and Chase Westmoreland. Funeral Services for Mrs. Theresa Keeland Overstreet were held Thursday, April 7, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Tim Allen officiating. Interment followed in the Evergreen Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Houston County Relay for Life, attn. Norma Lane, P. O. Box 220, Lovelady, Texas 75851. Condolences for Mrs. Overstreet may be left online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

NELL EVELYN RAY BEASLEY HULSEY

Mrs. Nell Evelyn Ray Beasley Hulsey, age 81 of Wichita Falls, passed away Sunday, March 13, 2011. Mrs. Hulsey was born July 23, 1929 in Pritchett, Texas to the late Frank and Janie (Alexander) Ray. As a child, she moved with her family around East Texas following her dad's "Saw Mill." Most of her life, she lived in Crockett where she ran her own Convenience Store and Meat Market. She also worked as a Bookkeeper, and retired in 1973 in Wichita Falls. She was a lifelong member of Church of Christ, and enjoyed crocheting, baking cakes, working with stained glass, and watching baseball. A loving wife, mother, grandmother, and friend, her biggest joy in life was her love of God and His Son, Jesus Christ. Survivors include her children James Beasley, II and wife Teresa, of Colorado Springs, Colo., Pamela Husak and husband Walter, of Wichita Falls, Larry Hulsey and wife Susan, of Breckinridge, and Terri Wright and husband John, of Abilene; two sisters-in-law Eloise Ray, of Lake of the Pines, and Hope Ray, of Ft. Worth; seven grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by her husbands James Beasley, I. and Lawrence Hulsey, I; brothers Thurman, Hardy, Elmo, and Hayden Ray; and sister Kathleen Campbell. Funeral Services for Mrs. Nell Evelyn Ray Beasley Hulsey were held Monday, March 14, 2011 at 11:30 a.m. at Owens & Brumley Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor John Robertson of Floral Heights Church of Christ, officiating. Interment were held at Burkburnett Cemetery. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.owensandbrumley.com Owens & Brumley Funeral Home

JAMES EDWARD EVANS

Mr. James Edward Evans, age 65 of Crockett, entered into eternal rest Thursday, February 10, 2011 in Houston. Mr. Evans was born December 16, 1945 in Crockett to Earnest Evans Sr. and Gracie M. Evans were blessed with the birth of their son. He was the fourth of five children, he was reared in Crockett. Mr. Evans accepted Christ at an early age and was a faithful and supportive member of Bethel Baptist Church. He was active in the Mass Choir and Male Chorus and served as a Lead Vocalist. He attended Ralph J. Bunche High School and graduated in 1965. After graduation, He enlisted in the United States Army and served for three years in Europe. Honorably discharged, He returned home to Crockett, where he united in marriage with Dorothy Nell Mitchell. Mr. Evans was employed by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice and the Texas Youth Commission. He was well known and admired throughtout Crockett and the surrounding Communities. "To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the Heaven: A time to be born.." Ecclesiastes 3:1 Survivors include his loving and devoted wife Dorothy Nell Evans; three children Lisa Evans-Whitting, Sylvia Evans-Thompson, both of Houston and Angela Evans-Watson, of Crockett; 12 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; mother Mrs. Gracie M. Evans, of Crockett; sister Dorathy J. Evans Washington (Jerome), of San Antonio; one brother Earnest Evans, Jr. (Ruby), of Crockett; four uncles Levi Lockhart, Jr. (Patricia), Eugene Lockhart (Jerlene), Curtis Lockhart, of Crockett and William H. Lockhart (Ruby), of Killeen; five aunts Erma J. Ryan, of Houston, Hazel J. Shepherd, of Norcross, Ga., Jessie Lockhart, Sarah Lockhart, both of Crockett and Dorothy Lockhart, of Lufkin; a host of other relatives and friends. Preceded in death by his father Earnest Evans Sr.; brother George Kelly Evans; sister Delores Evans Mask; and two nephews George and DeWayne Mask. Funeral Services for Mr. James Edward Evans were held Saturday, February 19, 2011 at 12:00 Noon at Bethel Baptist Church in Crockett with the Rev. Earl Harris and the Rev. M. Waddle officiating. Interment followed in Jasper Cemetery in Crockett. Pallbearers were Earnest Evans, III, DeGerrian Evans, Eugene Lockhart, Patrick D. Anderson, John Thompson, Henry E. Smith, Ronald Mask and Nathaniel Ryan. Honorary Pallbearers were DeMarcus Evans, Kirlan Evans, Jacobe Evans, Greg Lockhart, Sammy Lockhart, Michael Hatch, Jerome T. Washington, M.D., Jaye T. Washington, Edward Morris, Jr., William "Butch" Dow, Port A. Colter, Ray Hickman and Calvin R. Watson. Flowers Bearers were his Granddaughters. Barkley Mortuary

EDDY DAVENPORT

Mr. Eddy Davenport, age 63 of Lovelady, passed away Tuesday, April 5, 2011 in Lovelady. Mr. Davenport was born February 13, 1948 in Diboll and had lived most of his lifetime in Lovelady. He was a member of the N. R. A. and the Calvary Baptist Church in Crockett. Mr. Davenport worked as a commercial air and heat installer. He loved life, fishing, hunting and most of all his family and friends. Survivors include his wife Jeanie Davenport, of Lovelady; daughters Shena Hutto and husband Tommy, of Fort Worth, Charlotte Webb and husband Neal, of Palestine, Shelly Davenport and fiance' Brett, of Lovelady; brothers Ronnie Davenport and wife Debbie, of Crockett, Dennis Davenport and wife Marcha, of Conroe; sister Altonette Shannon and husband Keith, of Silsbee; aunt Louise Pryor

and husband Fred, of Onalaska; grandchildren Gregg Hutto, Jeffrey Hutto, Ryan Webb, Ali Brownfield; sisters-in-law Dorthy Jones, of Whitehall Nursing Center, Ann Gibson, of Livingston, Wanda Kleppel and husband Rick, of Houston, Beverly Koon and husband Toby, of La.; brothers-inlaw Walter Standley and wife Carroll, of Lovelady, Ernest Standley and wife Carolyn, of North Zulch; numerous nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by his parents Alton and Charlene Davenport; and great-niece Kaitlyn Drennon. Funeral Services for Mr. Eddy Davenport were held Saturday, April 9, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Carl Wayne Standley officiating. Interment followed in the Zion Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Zion Hill Baptist Church. Condolences for Mr. Davenport may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

R. C. BRUCE

Mr. R. C. Bruce, age 83 of Crockett, passed away Monday, March 28, 2011 in Crockett. Mr. Bruce was born October 9, 1927 to Millard and Ella Bruce in Etoile, Texas. Mr. Bruce served in World War II in the United States Navy. He was a life member of the DAV and a member of Evergreen Baptist Church. Survivors include his wife of 40 years, Betty Bruce, of Crockett; one daughter Kathleen Harvill and husband Ronald, of Katy; one grandson Christian Reinhard; and numerous nieces and nephews. Funeral Services for Mr. R. C. Bruce were held on Wednesday, March 30, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. at Evergreen Baptist Church, Evergreen, Texas. An online family register book is available at www.brookefuneralservice.com Brooke Funeral Home & Crematory

MORRIS GENE JACKSON

Mr. Morris Gene Jackson, age 81 of Texas City, passed away Wednesday, March 23, 2011 at Mainland Medical Center. Mr. Jackson was born May 25, 1929 in Chilton, Texas. He was a Chief Operator for Union Carbide, retiring after 40 years of service. Mr. Jackson was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Texas City and the Texas City Masonic Lodge. He proudly served his country in the United States Air Force, was involved in the Berlin Airlift, and received an Air Medal. Survivors include his wife of 56 years, LaNell Jackson, Texas City; sons Roy G. Jackson and Scott L. Jackson; granddaughter Sophia Jackson; numerous other relatives and friends. Graveside Services for Mr. Morris Gene Jackson was held Saturday, March 26, 2011 at Lovelady Evergreen Cemetery in Lovelady. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Texas City or a charity of your choice. Emken-Linton Funeral Home

FRANK J. GRIFFIN

Mr. Frank J. Griffin, age 91 of Crockett, passed away Sunday, March 27, 2011 in the Houston County Nursing Home. Mr. Griffin was born September 29, 1919 in Houston County, Texas and was a graduate of Crockett High School Class of 1937. He had lived in Crockett most of his lifetime. Mr. Griffin was a veteran of the U.S. Army having served during World War II. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Crockett and was also a member of the American Legion Post # 134, D. A. V. and the S. P. J. S. T. Mr. Griffin was a retired truck driver having owned and operated his own trucking business. Survivors include his wife Doris Griffin, of Crockett; sons and daughters-in-law David Frank Griffin and Glendia, of Palestine, Dwight Griffin and Gail and Don Griffin and Darla, all of Crockett; grandchildren Tanya Griffin Mills, of Palm Harbor, Fla., Stacy Griffin, Russell Griffin, Sabrina Griffin, all of Crockett and Ryan Griffin and wife Megan, of Lufkin; great-grandchildren Ava Jade Mills, Harley Nicole Grant, Stasia Brenae Parker, Ayriel Verna Parker, Kayde Bryan Bagwell and Makenzie Paige Bagwell; special niece Martha Sharon Stubbs; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by his parents Herman H. and Frances L. Griffin; two brothers; and five sisters. Graveside Funeral Services for Mr. Frank J. Griffin were held Tuesday, March 29, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. in the Evergreen Memorial Park with the Rev. Ottis Byers officiating. Condolences for Mr. Griffin may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

DONNA SUE ANSLEY

Mrs. Donna Sue Ansley, age 53 of Oakwood, perviously of Crockett, passed away Wednesday, March 23, 2011 at her residence. Mrs. Ansley was born on September 17, 1957 in Albuquerque, New Mexico

to Donald and Melba (Beasley) Humphrey. Mrs. Ansley was a homemaker. She loved to send emails on her computer to communicate with people. Survivors include her husband, Pete Ansley, of Oakwood; mother Melba Humphrey, of Crockett; step-sons Gary Ansley and wife Rebecca, of Houston Eric Ansley and fiancée Amanda, of Angleton and Phillip Ansley, of Austin; sister Mary Rounds and husband Vince, of Ga.; four grandchildren Joey, Josh, Justin and Leslie; and close friends, Annabell Dominges, Susan Reyes, and Jeanette. Preceded in death by her father Donald Humphrey; and sister Lori. Memorial Funeral Services for Mrs. Donna Sue Ansley were held Saturday, March 26, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. at the Walters Buffalo Funeral Home in Buffalo. In lieu of flowers, please send memorials to St. Luke's Children's Hospital, 190 E. Bannock St., Boise, ID. 83702. Condolences and sign the guestbook for Mrs. Ansley may be left at online www.buffalofuneralhome.com. Walters Buffalo Funeral Home

FRAN GOOLSBY

Mrs. Fran Goolsby, age 88, departed this world in the presence of her six children and loving family and entered heaven Sunday, March 27, 2011 in Crockett. Mrs. Goolsby was born June 12, 1922 in Linton, North Dakota to Ellis and Anna Merrill. She lived in South Dakota, Iowa, Michigan and Corpus Christi, Texas before settling in Crockett in 1947. Mrs. Goolsby was a loving wife, mother and grandmother who enjoyed gardening and canning. She was happiest when she had a house full of family and friends to cook for. She had a generous heart and enjoyed sharing her talent with others. Mrs. Goolsby was a veteran of the US Navy serving as a pharmacists mate until she was honorably discharged on November 11, 1946. Mrs. Goolsby was employed as an office nurse for Dr. A. B. Brown. A member and Elder of First Presbyterian Church, past president of First Presbyterian Church Women, the Redbud Garden Club, Latexo Extension Homemakers, Home Extension Council, the Davy Crockett Pilot Club and past member of the Texas Hospital Volunteers. Fran was a volunteer at ETMC Crockett. Survivors include her Daughters: Judy Morgan and husband Bill, of Latexo, Linda Horton, of Latexo and Ann Shroyer and husband John, of Crockett; sons John Danner and wife Sammy, David Goolsby and wife Linda, and Mike Goolsby and wife Connie, all of Latexo; grandchildren Tim Morgan, Rebecca Shroyer, Rachel Shroyer, Melinda Goolsby, Jessica Cutshall, Jo Lane, Harmonie Seaton, Martha Worley, Mary Worley, Faith Worley, Anna Rush, Josh Worley, Naomi Smith and Joseph Worley; great-grand-children Randi Lane, Jordan Lane, Journie Seaton, Abigail Rush and Shelby Smith; many nieces, nephews, and a host of friends. Preceded in death by her husband Wilson Goolsby; parents Ellis and Anna Merrill; two brothers Howard and Clifford Smith; sister Eunice Motsinger; and grandchild Jason Danner. Services for Mrs. Fran Goolsby were held Thursday, March 31, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church. the Rev. Tom Spath, the Rev. Jim Tom Ainsworth and Dr. Jeff Taylor officiating. Interment followed in Milligan Cemetery in Latexo. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Merriwether Scholarship fund at the First Presbyterian Church or the Latexo Alumni Association fund. Condolences for Mrs. Goolsby may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

BENOLA PETERSON

Mrs. Benola Peterson, age 92 passed away Sunday, March 27, 2011 in Crockett. Mrs. Peterson was born April 27, 1918 in Houston County, near Grapeland and she was the eighth child of eleven born to John Colin Lawrence and Lura Eugenia (Genie) Williams Lawrence. She was raised in Houston County, where she remained until moving to Houston in 1942. She returned to Crockett in 1984 after the death of her husband, William A. Peterson. Survivors include her son and two daughters along with their spouses: Troy and Patricia Walling, of Magnolia, Betty and Jerry Kanka, of Spicewood and Thelma Peterson, of Tomball; five grandchildren Sherrie Walling Nielsen, Michael Walling, Kelly Wilson King, Charles (Chuck) Wilson and Jason Kanka; Twelve great-grandchildren Courtney Brown Kirkpatrick, Kristen Moreno, Sara Walling, Emily Walling, Ava Walling, Ashley Brooke Whitlock, Sydney King, Chaz Wilson, Whitney Wilson, Ethan Kanka, Ransom Kanka and Fisher Kanka; two great-great-grandchildren Tyler Meyers and Juliana Moreno. Preceded in death by her husband William A. Peterson; parents John Colin Lawrence and Lura Eugenia (Genie) Williams Lawrence; and all of her brothers and sisters. Graveside Funeral Services for Mrs. Benola Peterson were held Thursday, March 31, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. at the Denson Cemetery outside of Grapeland. Condolences for Mrs. Peterson may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

HAZEL MILLWEE

Mrs. Hazel Millwee, age 72 of Crockett, passed away Tuesday, March 15, 2011 in the East Texas Medical Center-Crockett. Mrs. Millwee was born September 9, 1938 in St. Joseph, Louisiana and had lived in Crockett most of her lifetime. Mrs. Millwee was a member of the V. F. W. Lodge Ladies Auxiliary and the Order of the Eastern Star. She was a homemaker and attended the Baptist Church. Survivors include her son James Millwee, of Crockett; daughter Deborah Johnson and husband Carl, of Conroe; grandchildren Jami Johnson and John Johnson, of Conroe, Samantha Vaughn, of Crockett, Jeanne Millwee, of Latexo, Daniel Millwee, of Dallas, Luke Crowson and Cody Crowson, of Grapeland; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, W. C. Millwee; sons Billy Millwee and Bobby Millwee; daughter Pamela K. Crowson; grandsons Robbie Vaughn and William Robert Vaughn; and all of her brothers and sisters. Funeral Services for Mrs. Hazel Millwee were held Thursday, March 17, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Randy Hargrove officiating. Interment followed in the Latexo Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Houston County Cancer Support Group, P. O. Box 172, Crockett, Texas 75835. Condolences for Mrs. Millwee may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

BILLY RAY WILSON JR.

Mr. Billy Ray Wilson, Jr. age 54 of Crockett, passed away Friday, March 11, 2011 at his residence. Mr. Wilson was born and raised in Texas City on August 23, 1956 and was a 1975 graduate of Texas City High School. Mr. Wilson received an Associate's degree in Drafting. He was currently a resident of Crockett having also lived in Huntsville. Mr. Wilson was a lifetime Southern Baptist and was a lifetime member of the N. R. A. Survivors include his estrange wife Kellie Jo Wilson, of Huntsville; step-children Leslie Lynne Haltom and James Virgil LaRue; adopted daughter Justice Cheyene LaRue; mother Hazel Irene Stanton Wilson Lively, of Elkhart; brothers Anthony Russell Wilson, of Crockett and David Paul Wilson, of Texas City; nephews Jeremy Stanton Wilson and Keith Taylor Wilson, both of Texas City; aunt Alice Derduen and husband Rodney, of Woodville; uncle Jim Stanton, of Edge; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death his father Billy Ray Wilson, Sr. of Texas City. Condolences for Mr. Wilson may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

MIKE STRICKLAND

Mr. Mike Strickland, age 55 of Alto formally of Lake Fork, passed away Sunday, March 13, 2011 in Nacogdoches. Mr. Strickland was born June 15, 1955 in Crockett to Charles Strickland and Trubie Lucas. He was a US Navy Veteran of the Vietnam War and served on the U.S.S. Warden and in the honor guard. Mr. Strickland was a Christian and had worked as a truck driver. He was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting and fishing. Survivors include his mother and step-father Trubie Moake Bolch and Ken Bolch, of Alto; father Charles Strickland, of Alto; sister and brother-in-law Cheryl and Brian Gumpert, of Alto; daughter and her mother Molly Strickland and Paula Strickland, of Mineola; and numerous nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins. Funeral Services for Mr. Mike Strickland were held Tuesday, March 15, 2011 at O.T. Allen&Son Funeral Home at 1:00 p.m. with the Rev. Richard Gillet officiating. Interment followed in the New Energy Cemetery in Belott. Pallbearers were Frank Nedbalek, Andy Lucas, Brian Gumpert, Clyde Taylor, Randy Reid, Randy Lovell and Kennon Kellum. O.T. Allen&Son Funeral Home VIRGIL GROAT Mr. Virgil Groat, age 76 of Crockett, passed away Monday, March 14, 2011 in ETMC-Tyler. Mr. Groat was born September 1, 1934 in Cherokee County, Oklahoma to Floyd and Cuba Thorton Groat. After serving 4 years in the U.S. Navy, he graduated from Oklahoma State University, where he met Euleta, his wife

of 52 years. After graduation, he began his 32-year career with TXU, which took him to Wichita Falls, Lamesa, and Arlington. After retirement, he moved to Crockett, where he has lived for the past 12 years. He believed in volunteerism and has received numerous awards from civic and charitable organizations for his contributions over the years. After arriving in Crockett, he devoted his time to the First Baptist Church as a deacon, Sunday School teacher and in the television ministry; as a volunteer for the ETMC maintenance department.; and as an ambassador for the Crockett Area Chamber of Commerce, where he was known as the Chamber's "Free Spirit." Prior to moving to Crockett, he was a member of the Optimist Club, the Kiwanis, the American Cancer Society, and was instrumental in establishing the first Girl's Softball League in Lamesa, Texas. He also enjoyed world travel and always had a story to tell about his adventures. Survivors include his wife Euleta Groat, of Crockett; daughters Reanna Foster and husband Bruce, of Flat Rock, N C, Ardita Vick and husband James, of Dallas, Delia Groat, of Mansfield; grandchildren, Matthew Vick, of Houston, Zachary Vick, of Norman, Okla. and Irene Groat, of Mansfield; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her parents Floyd and Cuba Groat; brothers Kenneth Groat and Lawrence Groat; and sister Lois Bill. Funeral Services for Mr. Virgil Groat were held Thursday, March 17, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the First Baptist Church in Crockett with the Rev. Keeney Dickenson officiating. Graveside Funeral Services were held Friday, March 18, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. in the Dallas Fort Worth National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church Television Ministry, 801 E. Goliad Ave., Crockett, Texas 75835, Baptist Men's Disaster Relief, 801 E. Goliad Ave., Crockett, Texas 75835 or American Cancer Society, 212 Gene Samford Dr., Lufkin, Texas 75904. Condolences for Mr. Groat may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

ROBERT LEE HAZLETT

Mr. Robert Lee Hazlett, Jr. age 78 of Crockett, passed away Wednesday, March 16, 2011 at his family home. March 16 was the day our loved one passed away, but we lost him 3 years ago to Alzheimer's. Mr. Hazlett was born August 15, 1932 in Houston County and lived in Houston County for the majority of his life. In 1952, Robert married Jane Salisbury and this began their 58 year journey together. The Oil and Gas Industry took Robert and Jane to Jal, New Mexico, the Permian Basin, Louisiana, Alabama and Mississippi. He was knowledgeable in the operation of natural gas processing plants, drilling operations and production. In 1991, he retired from Mitchell Energy as East Texas District Superintendent. Upon retirement, Robert and Jane raised cattle on their ranch near Crockett and traveled through the United States. He was a member of Lovelady First United Methodist Church, and was a 50-year, 32nd Degree Mason. Survivors include his wife Jane Salisbury Hazlett; son Jim Hazlett and wife Becky, of Midland; daughter Karen Dailey and husband Mitch, of Crockett; son Joel Hazlett and wife Sherri, of Crockett; grandchildren Jarod Hazlett, Krista Weathers and husband Adam, Morgan Sebree and husband Justin, Laura Hazlett, Courtney Allen and Kati Hazlett, Ashley Crabtree and husband Josh, Jill Goyens and husband Chris, Robert Mitchell Dailey and wife Branalyn, Molly Hazlett Simmons and husband Douglas, and Joseph Hazlett; great-grandchildren Keaton, Brylee, Kamdyn, Brannen, Hayden, Rhyder; sister Dorothy Goodrum; mother-in-law Doris Kennedy Salisbury; sister-in-law Diane and husband Larry Wilson; niece Dee Ann and husband Steve Sweeny; nephews David Goodrum and wife Frieda and Cary McMahon; and long time caregiver Carolyn Terrell. Funeral Services for Mr. Robert Lee Hazlett, Jr. were held Friday, March 18, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. at the Lovelady First United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Robert Mitchell Dailey and Dr. John Montgomery officiating. Interment followed in the Lovelady Evergreen Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the First United Methodist Church Lovelady. Condolences for Mr. Hazlett may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

KATHLEEN TURNER

Mrs. Kathleen Turner, age 86 of Crockett, passed away, Thursday, March 17, 2011 in the Winfield Healthcare in Crockett. Mrs. Turner was born September 20, 1924 in Augusta, Texas and had lived in Houston County, previously living in Corsicana. Mrs. Turner was a member of the Latexo Alumni

Association and the Ephesus Baptist Church. She was retired having worked for 40 years at Miller Brothers Hat Factory. Mrs. Turner loved kids, games and was an avid sports fan of Latexo School. Survivors include her son John Owens Turner and wife Marilyn, of Latexo; grandchildren Ashley Michelle Currie and husband Bradley, of Kennard and Heather Nicole Germeroth and husband Brady, of Crockett; special niece Anna Jo Sullivan, of Latexo; special friend Toby Low, of Latexo; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her husband Jim Owens Turner; parents George Monroe and Sally Kathleen Bradley; brothers Clarence Arthur Bradley, Archie Bradley, George Bradley, Lacy Bradley; and sisters Alice Leathers, Eula Bradley and Annie Mae Turner. Graveside Funeral Services for Mrs. Kathleen Turner will be held Sunday, March 20, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. in the Evergreen Memorial Park with Mr. Jack Crow officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Latexo F. F. A., P. O. Box 975, Latexo, Texas 75849. Condolences for Mrs. Turner may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

PATRICIA ANN ROY

Ms. Patricia Ann Roy, age 63 of Kennard, passed away Sunday, March 6, 2011 in Bryan. Ms. Roy was born July 18, 1947 in Orange, Texas and had lived in Kennard for 29 years, previously living in Houston. Ms. Roy was retired having worked as a dental assistant for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. She was a member of the First Assembly of God Church and attended the Community Full Gospel Church in Kennard. Survivors include her children Sherri Tynefield and husband Gale, of Montgomery, James "Jimmy" White and wife Tracey, Johnny White and wife Angie, all of Kennard and Cristy Bacarisse and husband Jeff, of Mont Belvieu; grandchildren Andy, Megan, Haley, Johnny, Alli, Anna, Taylor and Abby; great-grandchild Ethan ; brothers Larry Roy and wife Kay, Mike Roy and wife Heather, all of Kennard, Phillip Roy and wife Sharon, of Willis and Mark Roy, of Fort Smith, Ark.; sister Susie Hopper, of Cedar Park; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her parents Henry and Marie Roy; and brother, Johnny Roy. Funeral Services for Ms. Patricia Ann Roy were held Wednesday, March 9, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Ottis Byers officiating. Interment followed in the Helton Cemetery. Condolences for Ms. Roy may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

DONNA BAKER

Ms. Donna Mae Baker, age 73 of Crockett, passed away Sunday, January 30, 2011. Ms. Baker was born July 16, 1937 in San Diego, California. She moved here approximately 3 years ago to be close to family due to failing health conditions. Ms. Baker was a real estate agent and broker. She enjoyed entertaining as daisy the clown, loved going to the beach, sewing, gardening, dancing, traveling, writing, and spending time with her family. Survivors include her mother Una Baker, of Sutter Creek, Calif.; sister Peggy J. Chappell, of Ione, Calif.; daughters Margarette Bodde (Darrell), of Buffalo, Connie Bonilla(Larry), all of Buffalo, Diane Rico (Michael), of San Diego; son Michael Connors, of San Diego, Calif.; grandchildren Charlotte Petersen, Kathy Taylor, Karen Doyal, Kristi Stapleton, Cassie Crowley, Kimberlie Britt, Celeste Charanza, Cary Rico, Chelsea Bonilla, Anthony Rico, Benjamin Rico and Cody Bonilla; 17 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; and one niece and nephew. Preceded in death by her father Charles A. Baker; son Robert C. Connors; and nephew Jerry Chappell. A Memorial Service for Ms. Donna Mae Baker will be held Saturday, February 19, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Centerville. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Whitehall Rehab Department or First United Methodist Church in Centerville. View her Book of Memories™ at www.CallawayJones.com Callaway-Jones Funeral Home & Crematory

CHARLES LEROY (CHUCK) TRAUTWEIN

Mr. Charles Leroy (Chuck) Trautwein, age 97 of Houston/Crockett went to be with his Lord on Thursday, February 3, 2011. Mr. Trautwein was born February 2, 1914 in Dubuque, Iowa and he lived

in Galena, Illinois. He was valedictorian of his senior class. Senior editor of his school paper and formed a band in High School. He was already on his way to being a musician. After graduation: He worked two years for the Chicago Daily News, Played piano on WGN in Chicago, His band played Big Band Music in Chicago and had a radio repair shop in Galena. He was a well known piano and accordion musician in his early days. On April 7, 1937 he married his secretary Marjorie Maxine Curry. He came to Houston in 1940 when he was 26 years old from Galena, Illinois to join his wife, who was already in Houston with her sister that was having a baby. After performing one night, he was unable to find his car, because of the snow storm had completely covered his car. He had to ride the train home. It took three days to find his car. He packed his suitcase, got his dog and headed to Texas. He said the snow followed him all the way to Houston. In Houston, he worked at KPRC and KHYZ radio stations. He worked on radio's and then television (when they came out) he had the first color set in Houston, in the day time. And at night he would play his music five and six nights a week. He played the accordion for the first square dance band in Houston. He was a member of the Joe Young Orchestra, playing the accordion and piano. Playing at the Sons of Herman, Cloverleaf Ballroom, Rice Hotel, Donkey on Milby and many other clubs and hotels. Later forming his own band—The Merrymakers at the YMCA, Chuck's Combo at the Heights and Downtown Singles/Couples Dance Club at the First United Methodist Church downtown Houston. Mr. Trautwein played until he retired in August 2004. But, he did not retire, he simply moved to East Texas to play for others. Survivors include his daughters Shirley Land and husband Harold caregivers and Ruth Henderson; daughter-in-law Ann Trautwein; sin grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and two greatgreat-grandchildren. Preceded in death by his wife Maxine Trautwein; and son Wayne Trautwein. Celebration of Life for Mr. Charles Leroy (Chuck) Trautwein was held Tuesday, February 8, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. at Huntsville Funeral Home with Pastor Mitchell White officiating. Interment followed in South Park Memorial Cemetery in Pearland.

DOROTHY JANE HARRELL

Mrs. Dorothy Jane Harrell, age 81 of Tennessee Colony, passed away Friday, February 4, 2011 at her residence. Mrs. Harrell was born August 9, 1929 in Emory and had been living in Tennessee Colony. Mrs. Harrell was a retired beautician and a member of the Tennessee Colony Church. Survivors include her brothers Lynn Chastain and wife Mary, of Tennessee Colony and James Chastain and wife Billie, of Tom Beam; sister Faye Taylor, of Overton; nephew Tommy David and wife Shelia, of Round Rock; niece Sandy Cobb and husband Budd, of Fort Worth; numerous other nieces, nephews relatives and friends. Preceded in death by her husband Thomas Harrell. Funeral Services for Mrs. Dorothy Jane Harrell were held Tuesday, February 8, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with Pastor John Wisener officiating. Interment followed in the Conner Cemetery. Condolences for Mrs. Harrell may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

BOB MATCHETT

Mr. Bob Matchett, age 63 of Crockett, formerly of Houston, passed away Saturday, February 5, 2011 at his residence. Mr. Matchett was born March 29, 1947 in Crockett, Texas and had lived in Houston most of his lifetime. Mr. Matchett was a veteran of the U. S. Army. He had worked in purchasing for a Steel Manufacturing Plant and loved racing and sports. Survivors include his mother Ruth Matchett, of Crockett; sister Carolyn Rawlins, of Houston; uncle and aunt Jim Erwin and wife Margie, of Aransas Pass; special friends Judi Fowlkes, Aleta Woolley and Billy Allbright; numerous cousins and friends in the A. A. Class; Preceded in death by his father Olen Matchett; grandparents Minnie and Henry Erwin and Plez and Lena Matchett. Graveside Funeral Services for Mr. Bob Matchett were held Tuesday, February 8, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Pennington Cemetery with the Rev. Paul Carlin and the Rev. Terry Gibson officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Diabetes Association. Condolences for Mr. Matchett may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

TISH MCCLAIN

Mrs. Tish McClain, age 83 of Conroe, passed away Monday, February 7, 2011 in the Conroe Regional

Medical Center. Mrs. McClain was born June 6, 1927 in Tadmor, Texas and had lived the past 6 years in Conroe, previously living in Crockett. Mrs. McClain was retired having worked as a supervisor for Shell Federal Credit Union and was a member of the Baptist Church. Survivors include her daughter Mary Cochran and husband Joe, of Porter; son Jesse McClain and wife Jackie, of Conroe; eight grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; brother Jesse Sides and wife Fannie Maud, of Lufkin; grandson-in-law David Gilpin, of La Porte; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her parents Jesse and Samantha Sides; granddaughter Terri Rae Gilpin; sister Mary Lou Cook; and brothers Dave Sides and Buddy Sides. Funeral Services for Mrs. Tish McClain were held Saturday, February 12, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Roy Gene Brooks officiating. Interment followed in the Ivie Cemetery. Condolences for Mrs. McClain may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

GENEVA HARRISON

Mrs. Geneva Harrison, age 81 of Kennard, passed away Monday, February 7, 2011 in the Pinecrest Retirement Center in Lufkin. Mrs. Harrison was born February 10, 1929 in Crockett, Texas and had lived in Kennard all of her lifetime. Mrs. Harrison was a member of the Delta Kappa Gamma and past president of the Texas Rural Letter Carriers Auxiliary. She was a retired teacher and Elementary Principal for the Kennard Independent School District. Mrs. Harrison was a member of the First Baptist Church in Kennard where she had served as Vacation Bible School Director, Sunday School Director, Sunday School Teacher and the Youth Choir Director. Survivors include her daughter and son-in-law Brenda and Terry Stubblefield, of Kennard; grandchildren Tiffany Harrison Stubblefield, Shanna Harrison James and husband Michael, all of Lovelady, Mandy Stubblefield Palmer and husband Kyle, of Tyler and Trevor Chase Harrison Stubblefield, of Kennard; great-grandchildren Ty Stubblefield, Jacy Stubblefield, Madelyn James and Cody James. Preceded in death by her husband Jack Harrison in 1997; son Jimmy Frank Harrison in 2010; parents Jimmie and Betty English; fatherin-law and mother-in-law Bill and Hattie Harrison. Funeral Services for Mrs. Geneva Harrison were held Friday, February 11, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the First Baptist Church in Kennard with the Rev. Jim Durham officiating. Interment followed in the Ivie Cemetery. Condolences for may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

IPHA MAE MORROW

Mrs. Ipha Mae Morrow, age 84, passed away Monday, February 7, in Crockett, where she owned and operated for more than 25 years alongside her husband, Ray, Dairy Queen stores first in Crockett, which opened in 1955, and across East Texas. Through the years, many shared with her their treasured memories of times spent at the DQ, after Little League games, Friday night football and making The Drag. A native of Grapeland, Mrs. Morrow was born August 12, 1926 (sharing her birth date with Ray), and attended San Pedro Elementary School. She graduated from Grapeland High School in 1944 and moved to Crockett, where she worked for five years for Texas Power & Light. She was a lifetime member of the First United Methodist churches of Grapeland and Crockett. In 1974, she and Ray built and moved to Morrow Point in Golden Acres on Houston County Lake and became part of an extended family of neighbors and close friends. As a member of one of Crockett's weekly bridge club groups, Mrs. Morrow loved playing and was lucky at cards and a gracious hostess known for her delicious food and hospitality. She was an avid women's tennis player and golfer in Crockett and enjoyed many hours with her friends on the court and the course. She spent the past 15 years living part-time at Viewpoint RV & Golf Resort in Mesa, Ariz., where she was the friendly token Texan to many of the international residents there. Survivors include her daughters Jill McGuckin, of Austin and Jane Mattox, of Crockett; brother W. D. Goodnight and wife Jeanette, of Tyler; granddaughters Julie Mattox, of Spring, and Kathryn Jenkines and husband Russell; great-grandchildren Haley and Jordan, of Madisonville; numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews and cousins; and many dear and cherished friends. Preceded in death by Ray Morrow, her husband of 48 years; parents W.M. Goodnight and Annie Mae Rials Goodnight; sisters Willie Dell Abshier and Frances Dee Duhon; and son-in-law Jim Mattox. Graveside Services for Mrs. Ipha Mae Morrow were held Thursday, February

10, 2011 at Evergreen Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Crockett Volunteer Auxiliary Nursing School Scholarship Fund, 1100 Loop 304 East, Crockett, Texas 75835. Condolences for Mrs. Morrow may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

JOHN KENNETH MCCELVEY

Mr. John Kenneth McCelvey, age 31 of Lovelady, passed away Wednesday, February 9, 2011. Mr. McCelvey was born December 7, 1979 in Madisonville and had lived all of his lifetime in Lovelady. He was self employed and a member of the First Baptist Church in Lovelady. Survivors include his wife Beth McCelvey, of Latexo; son Aidan Lane McCelvey, of Latexo; parents Kenneth and Lynn McCelvey, of Lovelady; sisters Jo Beth Martinez and husband Javier, of Cypress and Leslie Gilchrist and husband Jeremiah, of Lovelady; grandmother Bernice Vaden Lively, of Crockett; nieces and nephews Kacey Stanley, Kolby and Karson Patton, Morgan, Joseph and Conner Martinez, Grant, Caleb and Tyler Gilchrist; numerous aunts, uncles and other relatives. Preceded in death by his sister Leigh Ann McCelvey; grandfather Marvin Bruce James, Sr.; and grandparents Andrew F. and Lucille Broxson McCelvey. Funeral Services for Mr. John Kenneth McCelvey will be held Sunday, February 13, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Mitchell Kleckey and the Rev. Jim Tom Ainsworth officiating. Interment will follow in the Conner Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Conner Cemetery Association, 609 C. R. 1175, Kennard, Tx. 75847. Condolences for John Kenneth McCelvey may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

GLENDA FAYE MINTER

Mrs. Glenda Faye Minter, age 68 of Crockett, passed away Saturday, January 15, 2011. Mrs. Minter was a member of God's Truly Country Church. Survivors include her sons Larry Minter and wife Traci, of Fla. and Tommy Minter of Grapeland; stepson Lawrence Minter III and wife Bobbi, of Brazoria; grandchildren Matthew, Tommy, Jr., Michael and Taylor (their mother Samantha), Daniel, Amanda, Timothy, Jasmine, Patricia, Sharon, Robert and James; great-grandchildren Billy, Andrew, Tristan, Emerald and Landon; brothers A.L. Brummett and Glenn Ray Brummett and wife Ginny, all of Pampa; sisters-in-law Daisy Phillips and Letha Marsh, both of Crockett; brothers-in-law John Minter, of Jones Creek, Dock Minter, of Garrison and Glenn Sanders, of Freeport; numerous nieces and nephews; special friends Morris and Sharon Luker, of Kennard. Preceded in death by her husband Lawrence Minter, Jr.,; infant daughter Lisa Kay Minter; infant grandson Larry Minter, Jr.; father and mother Glenn Brummett and Faye Brummett. Funeral Services for Mrs. Glenda Faye Minter were held Tuesday, January 18, 2011 at God's Truly Country Church. Interment followed in the New Energy Cemetery.

HOLLIS ANDREW TARVER

Mr. Hollis Andrew Tarver known only as "Tarver", was 76 years old and passed away on January 20, 2011 in the East Texas Medical Center-Tyler. Mr. Tarver was born in Melder, Louisiana, on July 18, 1934, to Lillie Mae and Sam Tarver. He started as a cab driver in Arkansas when he was 15, then at age 16, he was driving a truck across country. At age 40, he went to work for an underground utility contractor as an operator and supervisor, where he met and married his wife, Paula Joubert Tarver of 36 years. They raised 7 children, he had 4, she had 1, and they had 2 together. They raised their first set of grandchildren with their babies. He was a family man, who very much loved his family and the people around him, he never met a stranger. Mr. Tarver's last 12 years of working, he worked for Cordell Brick Company in Houston in maintenance. He always loved working, just being able to get up in the morning and go to work. When he wasn't able to work anymore, it was like something died in him, but he had a thirst for life and his children and grandchildren and he lived through them. He moved his family around a lot, said he was part Gypsy, but when we moved to Crockett in 2002, this was the final move. He was happier here than anywhere he had ever lived. Shortly after he moved here, he gave his life to the Lord, and was very strong in his faith. He was a member of the Grapeland Baptist Church. His faith is what helped him recover from the loss of his beloved son Christopher, who

died in 1997, when he was almost 22. His ashes will be interred there with Christopher in Houston. Mr. Tarver was a wonderful husband, a great father, a good brother and friend to all who knew him and he will be greatly missed. Survivors include his wife of 36 years, Paula Tarver, of Crockett; children Austin Tarver and wife Susan, Jason Tarver, Eloise Sims and husband Bob, Sherry Hill, Terry Tarver; step-son Hollis Scott, Jr. and wife Shannon; brother Lowell Tarver and wife Patricia; sister Sammie Lee Johnson and husband Danny; grandchildren Angela Yoder, Pamela Lotz, Austin, Jr., Jody, Hope and Christina Tarver, Krissy Clifton, Shonna and Travis Hill, Stomita and Kostaki Zouboulikos, McKayla, Stephan and Dallas Scott, Clint and Cody Cunningham; great-grandchildren Adarianna, Chasity and Kevin Jr. Clifton; Jody Jr., Christopher, Allison and Brandon Tarver, Joseph, Alissa and Emily Lotz, Wesley, Jasen and Nathan Yoder, Chevenne and Christopher Cunningham; many nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by his beloved son Christopher Lee Tarver; parents Lillie Mae Walters and Sam Tarver; sisters Bernadean Collins and Ruth Patterson and nieces, Debbie Swartout and Tanya Ruth Patterson. Memorial Services and a Celebration of life for Mr. Hollis Andrew Tarver was held Saturday, February 5, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. in the Grapeland Baptist Church with the Rev. Charles Pyle officiating. Condolences for Mr. Tarver may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

MELVA MARSH HAMLIN

Mrs. Melva Marsh Hamlin, age 74 of Grapeland, passed away Tuesday, February 1, 2011 in the Winfield Nursing Center. Mrs. Hamlin was born October 8, 1936 in Houston County and had lived in Grapeland for the past 7 years, previously living in the Bryan area for 44 years. She was a member of the Crockett Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. Mrs. Hamlin was retired having worked as a financial director for Wal-Mart and was a member of the San Pedro Baptist Church. Survivors include her husband Nolan L. (Ray) Hamlin, of Grapeland; daughter Cynthia Horne, owner of Aftercare Visiting Nurses, of Grapeland; son Marc Hamlin, District Clerk of Brazos County, and wife Kelley, of Bryan; grandchildren Angie Thornton and husband Chris, of Madisonville; Willy Horne and wife Lesley, of Washington D.C., Marcus Horne and wife Faith, of Crockett, Jarrod Hamlin, of Bryan and Katye Hamlin, of Austin; great-grandchildren Lane, Brace and Kaislyn Thornton, of Madisonville and Nate Horne of Crockett; brother Coleman Marsh and wife Charlene, of Bryan; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her parents Bill and Anna Bell Marsh; and brothers Henry, Travis and Billy Joe Marsh. Funeral Services for Mrs. Melva Marsh Hamlin were held Saturday, February 5, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Tommy Hutto officiating. Interment followed in the McCarter Cemetery. Condolences for Mrs. Hamlin may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

R. P. "RIP" BARNHILL

Mr. R. P. "Rip" Barnhill, age 91 of Crockett, passed away Monday, January 31, 2011 in the East Texas Medical Center-Crockett. Mr. Barnhill was born October 20, 1919 in Houston County and had lived all of his lifetime in Crockett. Mr. Barnhill was a graduate of Texas A&M class of 1941. He was a veteran of the United States Merchants Marines having served during World War II. Mr. Barnhill was a retired contractor and member of the Baptist Church. Survivors include his wife of 67 years, Faye Colburn Barnhill, of Crockett; son Phillip Barnhill, of Crockett; daughter Becky Barnhill Gilmore, of Crockett; grandson Scott Gilmore, of Austin; very special friend Elton Neel, of Crockett; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by his parents Tom and Estelle Barnhill; sisters Wyncie Dell Barnhill, Ida Hamilton; and brothers Bill, Tom Lee, Petie and Jack Barnhill. Funeral Services for Mr. R. P. "Rip" Barnhill were held Thursday, February 3, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Reggie Gregory officiating. Interment followed in the Evergreen Memorial Park. Condolences for Mr. Barnhill may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home Mr. Billy John Adams, age 82 of Weldon, passed away Monday, January 02, 2012 at his residence. Mr. Adams was born April 12, 1929 in Weldon, Texas and had lived all of his lifetime in Weldon. Mr. Adams had worked for Bowen Tools Inc. and had retired from the Texas Department of Corrections. He was of the Baptist faith. Survivors include his wife Barbara Annette Adams; children Johnny F. Adams, Rickey J. Adams, Mary S. Sessions, Sherry A. Otto, Gerald W. Sousley, Richard G. Sousley and Kathy I. Jones; 13 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; five brothers; two sisters; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by his parents Charlie R. and Lillie Adams and two brothers. Graveside Funeral Services for Mr. Billy John Adams were held Wednesday, January 4, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. in the Lovelady Antioch Cemetery with the Rev. Joe Galleagos and the Rev. Reggie Gregory officiating. Condolences for Mr. Adams may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

ELLA MAE "MIMI" SHIFLETT TOLBERT

Mrs. Ella Mae "Mimi" Shiflett Tolbert, fondly known as Mimi, age 92, passed away peacefully Friday, December 30, 2011. Mrs. Tolbert was born April 11, 1919 in Weldon, Texas to George and Nola Shiflett. Mrs. Tolbert was a long time resident of Texas City. She moved to Alta Loma in 1978 and after the passing of her husband, she moved to League City. At the time of her passing, she was a resident of the Terrace Retirement Community. She was a member of League City Methodist Church, the League City Garden Club and was a League City Lioness. Mrs. Tolbert will be greatly missed by all of her family and friends. Survivors include her daughters Gladys Tolbert Woodard and husband John and Frances Tolbert Morris and husband Loyd; son Chet Tolbert and wife Betty; daughter-in-law Olivia Tolbert; she was a loving grandmother to her eight grandchildren Paula Knox and husband Franklin, Brenda Reagan, John Charles Woodard, Jr., Greg Morris and wife Kerri, Lt. Col. Grant Morris and wife Tina, Jack Tolbert and wife Laurie, Jaason Tolbert and wife Cristin and Andy Tolbert and wife Keila; 15 great-grandchildren Madison and Mackenzie Tolbert, Molly Morris, Josh and Jordan Reagan, Cooper, Claire and Carson Morris, Brady, Emily and Presley Woodard, Zane and Jake Knox, Angela and Sara Tolbert; best friend Bea Maples; and numerous nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by her parents George and Nola Shiflett; loving husband of 52 years, Jack M. Tolbert; son Arthur Mack (Bubba) Tolbert; and eight siblings. Pallbearers were Greg Morris, Jack Tolbert, John Woodard, Jr., Jason Tolbert, Andy Tolbert, Franklin Knox and Lt. Col. Grant Morris. Honorary Pallbearers were Paula Woodard-Knox and Brenda Reagan. Funeral Services for Mrs. Ella Mae "Mimi" Shiflett Tolbert were held Tuesday, January 3, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at Crowder Funeral Home with the Rev. Chris Harrison officiating. Interment followed in Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Dickinson. In lieu of flowers, you may send memorials to League City United Methodist Church, 1411 West Main Street, League City, Texas 77573. Crowder Funeral Home

IVA GWENDOLYN LARUE RIDLEHUBER

Mrs. Iva Gwendolyn LaRue Ridlehuber was born in Lovelady on June 6, 1928 and went to be with her Lord and Savior Thursday, December 29, 2011 at Presbyterian Hospital. She spent her entire life surrounded by music. She graduated from Lovelady ISD and Sam Houston with a degree in music and was a band director for 28 years, most of those years in Dallas ISD. Her bands consistently won first division recognition at any contest she performed in. She passed her love for music on to her children and grandchildren all of whom played either in the band or the orchestra throughout school. Many times her youngest granddaughter said she would look up during marching practice and see her Nana watching from her car parked beside the practice field. After her retirement she continued to enjoy music, never missing a performance her grandchildren were in and she had music playing constantly in her home. When she became so ill in August and eventually went to a rehab facility, where she stayed for 100 days, she received a special surprise when SMU Mustang and Crockett High School football star Ja'Gared Davis came to visit her. She said that his visit inspired her to keep fighting and work towards getting better. Her family is most grateful to Ja'Gared for giving them their mother for a little while longer. She was a member of Colonial Baptist Church in Dallas and was an amazing prayer warrior. Her faith in the Lord was evident to everyone she met. Her greatest legacy to her family was that of praying about everything and working hard at whatever job you have. Survivors include her son Glenn Ridlehuber; daughter Rene Matthews; three grandchildren Andrea Wiener and husband Tony Wiener, Michael Tennison and Amy Tennison; three great-grandchildren Kristen, Abigail and Olivia Wiener; special 'adopted' son Ja'Gared Davis; and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Preceded in death by her parents GW and Iva Mae LaRue; and beloved husband Garland Ridlehuber. Funeral for Mrs. Iva Gwendolyn LaRue Ridlehuber were held Monday, January 2, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at Colonial Baptist Church in Dallas. Interment followed in Hillcrest Garden of Memory in Hillsboro. Troy Suggs Funeral Home

JAMES "MIKE" DRISKELL

Mr. James "Mike" Driskell, age 80 of Lovelady, passed away Thursday, December 15, 2011 at his residence. Mr. Driskell was born December 27, 1930 in Lovelady and had lived in Lovelady most of his lifetime. Mr. Driskell was a retired truck driver and a member of the Lovelady Assembly of God. Survivors include his wife of 60 years, Marie Driskell, of Lovelady; sons Jimmy Driskell and wife Diane, of Lovelady and Larry Driskell and wife Vivian, of Baytown; daughter Judy Lilley, of Lovelady; grandchildren Tara, Melissa, Sherry, Vanessa, Larry Jr., Robert, Jonathan and Tommy; 15 great-grandchildren; sister Eva Freeman, of Crockett; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by his parents Richard and Emma Driskell; sisters Beulah Durdin, Lela Freeman; and brother Roy Driskell. Funeral Services for Mr. James "Mike" Driskell were held Saturday, December 17, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with Ministers Jonathan Lilley and Adam Slatter officiating. Interment followed in the Lovelady Antioch Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Lovelady Assembly of God Building Fund. Codolences for Mr. Driskell may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

PHIL STOWE JR.

Mr. Phil Stowe, Jr. age 41 of Nacogdoches, passed away Monday, December 19, 2011 in the Nacogdoches Memorial Hospital. Mr. Stowe was born August 26, 1970 in Galveston, Texas had had been living in Nacogdoches for the past 20 years. He had worked as a press operator for R. R. Donnelly Business Forms and was a member of the Appleby Baptist Church in Nacogdoches. Survivors include his wife Kim Stowe, of Nacogdoches; children Katelyn Stowe, Nathan Stowe, Natalie Stowe, all of Nacogdoches; parents Philip and Carol Stowe, of Grapeland; father-in-law and mother-in-law Dennis and Janice Anderson, of Nacogdoches; sister Shana Baker and husband Chance, of Grapeland; grandmother Dorothy Pourchot, of Santa Fe; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by his grandparents Opal and Woodrow Stowe; and grandfather Edison Pourchot. Funeral Services for Mr. Phil Stowe, Jr. will be held Thursday, December 22, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Appleby Baptist Church in Nacogdoches with the Rev. Dennis Anderson and the Rev. Darrell Flanagan officiating. Interment will follow in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery. Condolences for Mr. Stowe may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

GLORIA GAY ASH

Miss Gloria Gay Ash, age 87 of Ratcliff, formerly of Nacogdoches, passed away Tuesday, December 20, 2011 in Ratcliff. Miss Ash was born November 12, 1924 to Claude Ash and Glen Marshall in Beaumont, Texas. She lived in California and Kansas City before spending the last 40 years of her life in the East Texas area. She worked as a Program Analyst for SFA and was a member of the Angelina Photography Club. Survivors include her numerous cousins; close friends Mary Burton and Nelda Jordan, both of Nacogdoches; long time caretaker Viola George; and many friends who cared for her and looked after her. Preceded in death by her parents Claude Ash and Glen Marshall; and Brother George Ash. Funeral Services for Miss Gloria Gay Ash will be held Friday, December 23, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. in the O.T. Allen and Son Funeral Home Chapel in Alto with Bro. Ken Wooley officiating. Interment will follow in Old Palestine Cemetery near Alto. Pallbearers are Jimmy Taylor, Lonnie Edwards, Ed Lee, John Beam, Bob Beam, Bobby Beam. Contributions may be made to the Gloria Gay Ash Scholarship at the S.F.A Alumni Association. O.T. Allen & Son Funeral Home

GEORGE SIDNEY FULGHAM

Mr. George Sidney Fulgham, Colonel (retired) USAF, was born in Crockett, Texas on June 9, 1932. He left this earth on December 19, 2011 at the age of 79. He was born to George (Joe) and Elizabeth Fulgham. His first love was Jan Baker, who he married July 31, 1954, just after he graduated from Texas A&M and Jan graduated from Baylor. They were blessed with three daughters, Debra, Pamela and Kimberly. Mr. Fulgham joined the Active Duty Air Force in April of 1955. He immediately went into pilot training, which turned into the second love of his life. He really loved flying and served in many different states. His tours of duty included the Pentagon twice, Germany, the Philippines, Thule, Greenland and Vietnam twice. Sid's distinguished career merited several medals, citations and decorations including the Distinguished Flying Cross with 6 Oak Leaf Clusters. Survivors include his loving wife of 57 years, Jan Fulgham; three daughters and their husbands Debra and Robert Otto, Pamela Fulgham and Robert Fryr, Kimberly and Jesse DeLosSantos; three granddaughters, Elise, Ariane, and Juliette Chreties; two grandsons Colton and Clinton DeLosSantos; cousin Vina Eskew and her two sons and families Allen Eskew, Jr. and Judge Benton Eskew; cousin Frank Fulgham and his wife Pat; and numerous other cousins and family members. Preceded in death by his parents; grandparents; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins. Funeral Services for Mr. George Sidney Fulgham will be held Thursday, December 22, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. at Marrs-Jones Newby Funeral Home. Graveside Services with Military Honors will be at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, December 23, 2011 at Evergreen Memorial Cemetery in Crockett. In Lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Salvation Army or Red Cross in loving memory of Sid Fulgham. Please join the family in remembering Sid Fulgham by visiting our Memorial at www.Marrs-Jones-NewbyFuneral.com. Marrs-Jones-Newby Funeral Home

PENNY GROUNDS

Ms. Penny Grounds, age 52 of Porter Springs, passed away Tuesday, December 20, 2011 at her residence. Ms. Grounds was born July 7, 1959 in Crockett, Texas and had lived all of her lifetime in Porter Springs. Ms. Grounds was a member of the First Presbyterian Bell Choir. She was the operator and manager of Town and Country Cleaners in Crockett and was also a member of the Porter Springs Baptist Church. Survivors include her children Shelle Vickers, of Tyler, Stacey Parry and husband James, of Lufkin, Grady Nathaniel Moffett, of Plano, Kimberley Williams and husband Andrew, of Anderson; granddaughter Samantha Parry, of Lufkin; dad Grady Grounds, Jr., of Porter Springs; sisters Cynthia Criddle, of Mesquite and Pamela Vickers-Fairchild, of Crockett; brothers Grady Grounds III, and Fred Grounds, both of Porter Springs; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her mother Carol Grounds in December 2010. Funeral Services for Ms. Penny Grounds were held Friday, December 23, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. William Few and the Rev. Carl Standley officiating. Interment will follow in the Parker Cemetery in the Jones School House Community. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Lottie Moon Offering. Condolences for Ms. Grounds may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

EARSHEL RAY PEDEN

Mr. Earshel Ray Peden, age 66 of Flint, passed away Wednesday, December 21, 2011 in Tyler. Mr. Penden was born February 3, 1945 in Lufkin to James and Hazel Peden. He greatly loved and enjoyed time spent with his family and working around the farm. He was a pipe welder by trade. Mr. Penden loved God and enjoyed going to church. Survivors include his loving family his wife of 48 years, Shirley A. Peden, of Flint; mother Hazel Cockrell; daughters Kim Perez and husband Rick, of Flint and Jennifer Maddoux and husband Chris, of New Waverly; five grandchildren Taylor Maddoux, Wesley Maddoux, Jocelyn Maddoux, Codey Perez and Hailey Perez; siblings Leroy Peden, Betty Oliver, Betty Owens, Louise Cole, Mary Raines, Andy Raines, Walter Peden and Sherry Wetzel; and numerous nephews and nieces. Preceded in death by his son Gary Ray Peden; father James D. Peden; and two brothers, Tommy Raines and John L. Raines. Funeral Services for Earshel Ray Peden were held Friday, December 23, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. at New Life Worship Center in Tyler with the Rev. Rudy Bond and the Rev. Ottis Byers officiating. Interment followed in Rose Lawn Cemetery. Memorials in honor of Earshel Peden may be made to the Hospice of East Texas Foundation, 4111 University Blvd.,

Tyler, Texas 75701 or the American Cancer Society, 1301 South Broadway, Tyler, Texas 75701. Stewart Family Funeral Home

COUNCILMAN NATHAN GARDNER JR.

Councilman Nathan Gradner Jr., age 59 of Crockett, departed this life Thursday, December 22, 2011 at Whitehall Nursing Home surrounded by staff, family and friends. Councilman Gardner was born August 31, 1952 to Nathan Gardner and Gladys Harris Gardner. "A message from Nate" "I worked all my life. I went from the cotton patch to catching chickens and then to Mr. Leonard Arnold's Compress while in High School. I helped my mother with our bills, purchased my school clothes, a car, some gasoline, protein and stayed in school to help with my dream. I united with and was baptized in the church. I graduated from Crockett High School in 1970 with money in my pockets. I went across the loop to Houston and got a job for 12 years at grocery supply. I worked for the Teamsters Union and served on the Board of Directors of the Teamster's Credit Union for 10 years. During this tome I helped people from all over, especially from Crockett. I united with Reverend Larry Lewis' Church (True Doctrine Baptist). I maried Miss Cecila Ann Robbins Gardner and raised one step daughter, Brachelle Robbins Denmon. Cecilia and I had Nicholas Nathaniel "Nick" Gardner. My family and I retured and I returned to Crockett and attended St. Luke Baptist Church. I work at Kennard ISD. I joined Progressive Baptist Church Inc. and worked through Progressive's Church Prison/Jail Program in connection with Scott Bail Bond Community Service six years. I did Crockett time 17 years at Circle P Convenience Store. I served Crockett City Council Precinct Number #3 some 12 years; Deep East Texas Council of Governments six years. My constituents called me "Brother Nate," after I came back from across the loop. Survivors include his one son Nicholas Nathaniel Gardner; cousins Pastor Jame Harris and his sisters and brothers; my other relatives; special friends Mrs. Cecilia Ann Robbins Gardner, Mr. Larry Robbins, City Administrator Mr. Ron Duncan, Mr. Harold Brown, "Sugar Mama," Progressive Church members, Pastor and Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Lois Duren Ball who accepted me into their family and my very own family, and my dependable constituents of Crockett City Council Precinct Number Three. Preceded in death by his parents Mr. Nathan Gardner (1925-1972) and Mrs. Gladys Harris Gardner 1927-2009. Funeral Services for Councilman Nathan Gardner Jr., were held Saturday, December 24, 2011 at 12:00 noon at Good Fellow Church 401 s. 7th Crockett with the Rev. Larry Mouton officiating. Interment followed in the Union Prairie Cementery in Porter Springs. Family Mortuary and Monument Services

MINNIE EVELYN WILCOX HESTER

Mrs. Minnie Evelyn Wilcox Hester was born September 20, 1912 in Pearson Chapel, Texas, and passed away January 21, 2011 at the age of 98 years, 4 months and 1 day in the Winfield Healthcare in Crockett. She and her husband Travis Wilcox, opened a general store in which Minnie spent most of her days waiting on customers and filling big bills of groceries for residents of Vestula and Murray Farm. Mrs. Hester was a faithful member of the Lovelady First United Methodist Church and never missed a Sunday unless ill, which was almost never. She loved her church with all her heart and read her Bible daily. Mrs. Hester loved cooking, quilting, embroidering, crossword puzzles and gardening; and had a spring and fall garden each year. Survivors include her daughter Jo Ann Starns Henry and husband Roy, of Porter Springs; one grandson Christopher Dean Starns and wife Renee; one greatgranddaughter Morgan Kate Starns; one great-grandson Jacob Dean Starns, all of the Creek Community; special nephew Charles Arnold, of Crockett; special niece Nell Sinclair and husband Leon, of Bryan; special great-nephew Larry Knox and wife Susan, of Crockett. Preceded in death by her husbands, James Travis Wilcox and Harold Hester. Funeral Services for Mrs. Minnie Evelyn Wilcox Hester were held Tuesday, January 25, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Lovelady First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Doug Howell and the Rev. Jackie Harmon Snarr officiating. Interment followed in the Creek Cemetery. Condolences for Mrs. Hester may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

BETTIE SUE LARUE

Mrs. Bettie Sue LaRue, age 81 of Crockett, passed away Monday, January 24, 2011 in the Houston

County Nursing Home. Mrs. LaRue was born October 30, 1929 in Belott to Grover and Nora Bell (Brooks) Minter and had lived most of her lifetime in the area. Mrs. LaRue was retired from Southwestern Bell Telephone having worked as an operator and was a member of the Grace Street Church of Christ. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16 Survivors include her husband Charles L. LaRue, of Crockett; sister Carrie Bennett, of Crockett; niece Sue Strban and husband Steve, of Crockett; great-niece Kim Duhon and husband Randy, of Grapeland; numerous great-nieces, great-nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her husband Charles L. Durst; parents Grover Minter, Jr. and Wendall Minter. Graveside Services for Mrs. Bettie Sue LaRue were held Saturday, January 29, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Center Hill Cemetery with Dr. Johnny Garner officiating. Condolences for Mrs. Larue may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

THOMAS E. WHIFFEN JR.

Mr. Thomas E. Whiffen, Jr., age 53 of Crockett, passed away Sunday, January 23, 2011 in the East Texas Medical Center-Tyler. Mr. Whiffen was born January 12, 1958 in Los Angeles, California and had been living in Crockett for the past 3 years, previously living in Trinity. Mr. Whiffen had worked as a pipe fitter and was of the Baptist faith. Survivors include his wife Debbie L. Whiffen, of Crockett; sons Victor W. Whiffen and wife Rachel M. Harte and Daniel W. Whiffen; daughter Barbara L. Thompson and husband Roger M. Thompson; grandchildren Christopher R. Crampton, Alyssa L. Whiffen and Susan F. Thompson; brothers and sister, Roxanne Whiffen, Tony A. Schreckengost-Whiffen, Rickie Schreckengost-Whiffen and Jimmy Joe Schreckengost-Whiffen; nephew, Lawrence K. Pack; and his dog the love of his life was his great dane, Marmaduke; numerous other relatives. Preceded in death by his granddaughter Angel N. Thompson; parents Thomas and Barbara Whiffen; brothers and sisters Gary L. Schreckengost, Edward W. Schreckengost, Jr., Dan Patrick Schreckengost, Melvin W. Schreckengost, Floy E. Schreckengost, Learay Schreckgost and Claudine Schreckengost. Funeral Services for Mr. Thomas E. Whiffen, Jr. were held Thursday, January 27, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Ken Myers officiating. Interment followed in the Jim English Cemetery. Condolences for Mr. Whiffen may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

JOYCE EVELYN BAILEY

Mrs. Joyce Evelyn Bailey, age 90 of Pearland, passed away Sunday, January 23, 2011 at her residence. Mrs. Bailey was born February 17, 1920 in the Creek Community and was a resident of Pearland for the past 43 years. Mrs. Bailey was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. She was a loving mother and loved her family. Survivors include her daughters Pamela Jo Mickler, of Pearland and Melanie Dowdy and husband Randy, of Creek; grandchildren Aaron and Emily Woodard, of McKinney, Erin Elaine Mickler, of Lake Jackson and Cody Woodard, of Pearland; greatgranddaughter Rylyn Mickler, of Lake Jackson; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her husband Joe E. Bailey; parents James David and Willie B. McCullar; brother Kirby; and sisters Helen, Jimmie and Maxine. Graveside Funeral Services for Mrs. Joyce Evelyn Bailey were held Wednesday, January 26, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. in the Creek Cemetery with Bro. Cody Craig officiating. Condolences for Mrs. Bailey may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

CHARLES L. RICH

Mr. Charles L. Rich, age 93 of Lovelady, passed away Monday, January 24, 2011 at his residence. Mr. Rich was born August 9, 1917 in Lovelady, Texas and was a resident of Lovelady. Mr. Rich was a veteran of the United States Army having served during World War II. He was an audio and visual specialist for the U. S. Air Force. Mr. Rich was retired having worked for public schools and junior colleges as a science teacher. He was a member of the Association of Former Students of Texas A&M

and was a proud member of the First Baptist Church in Lovelady. Survivors include his son Herman Charles "Chuck" Rich; daughter Charlotte Ann Baker; grandchildren Emilia Rich, Doris June Dabney, Jenny Lynn Spray, Newman Foster Baker III "T'ree" and Laura Belle Mayo; 10 great-grandchildren Jake Dabney, Emily Dabney, Benjamin Dabney, Ryan Spray, Corey Spray, Conner Spray, Lauren Spray, Anna Grace Baker, Ava Kate Mayo, Carlton John Mayo III and #11 due in 1 month; numerous other relatives. Preceded in death by his wife June Rich; and parents Herman and Annie Rich. Funeral Services for Mr. Charles L. Rich were held Thursday, January 27, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. in the Lovelady First Baptist Church with the Rev. Scott Matthews officiating. Military Graveside Services followed in the Lovelady Evergreen Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Lovelady First Baptist Church or Texas A&M Twelfth Man Foundation. Condolences for Mr. Rich may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

L. J. "JACK" PARTEN

Mr. L. J. "Jack" Parten, age 91 of Troup, passed away Tuesday, January 25, 2011 in a Rusk nursing home. Mr. Parten was born November 22, 1919, in Weldon, Texas to the late Jack and Minnie Robinson Parten. He was a longtime resident of Lovelady before moving to the Troup area in 2008. Mr. Parten was a retired petroleum equipment engineer. He was also a farmer and rancher who loved horses. He loved writing poetry, carpentry and travel. Mr. Parten was a Coast Guard veteran of World War II. He was the Ping Pong champion of the Pacific Theater. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Troup. Mr. Parten married Jeanette Smith in Houston, October 4, 1941. Survivors include his wife of 69 years, Jeanette Parten, of Troup; two daughters and a son-in-law Dr. Jackie Gerla, of Troup and Suzanne and Kendall Hay, of College Station; three grandchildren Debbie Reed, of Madisonville, Brent Hay and wife Sandra, of College Station and Jeff Gerla, of Troup; an adopted grandson Chad Meroney, of Troup; five great-grandchildren; and numerous nephews and nieces. Preceded in death by his son-in-law Richard Gerla. Funeral Services for Mr. L. J. "Jack" Parten were held Friday, January 28, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Troup with the Reverend Mike Cline officiating. Military Honors followed in the Griffin Cemetery, near Troup. Online condolences for Mr. Parten are available at "http://www.cottlefuneralhome.com" www.cottlefuneralhome.com. Cottle Funeral Home

DOUGLAS PATTON

Mr. Douglas Patton, age 60 of Boliver, passed away Tuesday, January 25, 2011, in Houston. Mr. Patton was born December 5, 1950 in Freeport and had lived in Boliver for the past 3 years. He was a member of the Local #61 Iron Workers and had worked as an iron worker. Survivors include his daughters April Nicole Patton, of Houston and Lacey Lynn Patton, of Ga.; son Cheyenne Levi Patton, of Huffman; grandchildren Christian, Kera, Addisyn and Presleigh; brother Billy Jack Patton and wife Sue, of Huffman; sister Bridget Cochran and husband Daniel, of Okla.; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by his parents Robert Lee Patton and Lois Dean (Kay) Patton; and brothers Jerry Lee Patton, Robert Larry Patton and Rayford Lee Patton. Funeral Services for Mr. Douglas Patton were held Saturday, January 29, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Jessie Ray Patton officiating. Interment followed in the Patton Family Cemetery in Weches. Condolences for Mr. Patton may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

LUE B. MURRAY

Mr. Lue B. Murray, age 92 of Lufkin (formerly of Crockett}, passed away Saturday, January 15, 2011 at a local Hospital in Lufkin. Mr. Murray was born January 14, 1919 in Crockett, Texas, the son of the late Ola (Buford) and Frank Murray. Mr. Murray was a retired Master Sergeant with the United States Army, serving during the Korean Conflict and World War II. He was a member of the civil service and the Shriner's Club, and was a recipient of a purple heart. He enjoyed being with his family, watching sports and loved to cook. Survivors include his son Lloyd Murray; son and daughter-in-law Gene and Barbara Murray; daughter and son-in-law Myra and James Ferguson; grandchildren Brittany, Joshua, Christopher and Jamie; numerous great-grandchildren; sister and brother-in-law Elma and Abbott

Hargraves; special friend Jo Harber; and a number of nieces, nephews, other family members and friends. Preceded in death by his parents Ola (Buford and Frank Murray; wife Georgia May Murray; daughter Donna Louise Edmonson; two brothers; and 1 sister. Funeral Services for Mr. Murray were held Wednesday, January 19, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. in the Gipson Funeral Home Chapel, with Jim McDonald officiating. Interment followed in the Porter Springs Cemetery in Crockett. Pallbearers were Travis Parker, James Ferguson, Roger Pool, Al Hargraves, and Abbott Hargraves. Condolences may be offered at www.gipsonfuneralhome.com Gipson Funeral Home

A. B. TURNER

Mr. A. B. Turner, age 71 of Fairfield, passed away Saturday, December 4, 2010 in Tyler. Mr. Turner was born November 25, 1939 in Houston County, Texas, near Latexo, to Albert and Birdie Mae Weisinger Turner. He was a graduate of Latexo High School and Tyler Commercial College. Mr. Turner was involved in the commercial freight business in East Texas before moving to Fairfield in 1980 to manage the Red Arrow Freight Terminal and oversee family ranching interests. He was also a former Freestone County Justice of the Peace. Mr. Turner will be remembered for his musical talent, his tale telling ability, his hospitality and his marvelous sense of humor. Survivors include his son Justin K. Turner, of Fairfield; three grandchildren Brandi Holcomb, of Tyler, Ashley Turner and Brett Turner, both of Fairfield; one great-grandson Ayden Jones, of Fairfield; three sisters Christine Schulman, of Latexo, Billie Jones, of Crockett and Valta Engstrand, of Elkhart; four nephews; four nieces; and his ex-wife Jo Olive Watson Turner, of Fairfield. Preceded in death by his parents Albert and Birdie Mae Weisinger Turner; two brothers; and two sisters. Memorial Services for Mr. A.B. Turner were held Friday, December 17, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. at Capps Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Terry Skinner officiating. Interment will follow at a later date in Stewards Mill Cemetery. Honorary Pallbearers were Morris Schulman, Mark Schulman, Craig Schulman, Willie Wofford, Jr. Marvin Bland, James Whatley, David Rousch and William Jacoby. Capps Memorial Chapel Funeral Home

ELLENA HAMLIN

Mrs. Ellena Hamlin, age 81 of Lovelady, passed away Friday, January 14, 2011 in the Houston Hospice. Mrs. Hamlin was born December 1, 1929 in Houston County, Texas and had lived in Lovelady since 1991, previously living in Houston. Mrs. Hamlin was retired having worked as a secretary. Survivors include her son Richard Hamlin and wife Kathy, of Pasadena; daughter Janis Alfred and husband Charles, of Crockett; grandchildren Melissa Hamlin, Meagan Hamlin, Matthew Hamlin, Trey Johnson and Cliff Johnson; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her husband Harold Hamlin; father and mother Richard Henry Alfred and Elzora Padgett Alfred; sisters Effie Moffitt, Alpha Morgan and Frances Kendrick Bartee; and brothers Moody Alfred, R. H. Alfred and Elzie Alfred. Funeral Services for Mrs. Ellena Hamlin were held Monday, January 17, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Dennis Lowery officiating. Interment followed in the Jim English Cemetery. Condolences for Mrs. Hamlin may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

EUNICE DALE GATES "NANNY" ZALESKY

Mrs. Eunice Dale Gates "Nanny" Zalesky, age 73 of Kennard, passed away Friday, January 14, 2011 in the East Texas Medical Center-Crockett. Mrs. Zalesky was born December 17, 1937 in Carmona, Trinity County, Texas and had lived all of her lifetime in Kennard. Mrs. Zalesky was a homemaker and member of the Truth Tabernacle Church in Kennard. She was an avid seamstress and enjoyed making dolls. Mrs. Zalesky was a loving nanny and mother. Survivors include her children La Quita Mancilla, of Crockett, Perry Lynn Neal, Gary Neal, Terry Neal, all of Kennard, Raquel Lopez and husband Gustavo, of Livingston, Cristy Zalesky, of Kennard, Kenneth Neal, of San Augustine and Kayla Neal, of Seattle, Wash.; 20 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; brothers Raymond Gates and wife Martha, Aubrey Gates and wife Joyce and Harold Gates; sister Joanie Arnold and husband Eugene; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her parents Cleet and Eva Alexander Gates; brother and sister-in-law Tommy and Kay Gates; sister-in-law Betty Gates; grandson Cpl. Jacob Neal; and ex-husband Huron "Judge" Neal. Funeral Services for Mrs. Eunice Dale Gates

"Nanny" Zalesky were held Monday, January 17, 2011 at 2:30 p.m. in the Tabernacle of Praise in Kennard with the Rev. Eugene Arnold officiating. Interment followed in the Ivie Cemetery. Condolences for Mrs. Zalesky may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

LURLINE SMITH

Mrs. Lurline Smith, age 91 of Crockett, passed away Friday, January 14, 2011 in the White Hall Nursing Center in Crockett. Mrs. Smith was born May 4, 1919 in Alto, Texas. Survivors include her two sisters Thelma Burleson, of Crockett and Georgia Powers, of Arlington; three brothers Frank Guinn, of Crockett, Jack Guinn, of Houston and Carl Guinn, of Alto; numerous nieces and nephews. Visitation will be on Saturday at the Church of Christ Hwy 69 North Alto, Texas from 10:00 a.m. until time of service. Funeral Services for Mrs. Lurline Smith will be held Saturday, January 22, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. in the Church of Christ, Hwy 69 N. Alto, with Bro. Kafee Andrews pastor, officiating. Interment will follow in the Linwood Cemetery in Alto. Colonial Mortuary- Directors

FRANCES PEARSON

Mrs. Frances Pearson, age 88 of Grapeland, passed away, Tuesday, January 18, 2011 at her residence. Mrs. Pearson was born February 06, 1922 in Waco and was a resident of Grapeland for many years. Mrs. Pearson attended Baylor University where she met her husband, Rev. L. R. Pearson and they were later married on August 5, 1941. She was a homemaker and a Pastor's wife. Mrs. Pearson was a member of the First Baptist Church in Lovelady. Survivors include her husband of 69 years, Rev. L. R. Pearson, of Grapeland; daughters Pat Pyron and husband Metz, of Houston, Nancy Rooney and husband Larry, of Grapeland and Connie Birdwell and husband Joe, of Md.; grandchildren Sherri Bazan, Ronnie Pyron, Stacey Goar, Richard Pyron, Shelley Nauman, Rhonda Shaw and Craig Martin; 22 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; sisters Inda Miller, of Columbus and Rose Mary Painter, of Dallas; brother Dr. Milton Rhodes, Jr., of San Antonio; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her parents Milton and Fannie Mae Rhodes; and sister, Martha Beckham. Funeral Services for Mrs. Frances Pearson were held Thursday, January 20, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the First Baptist Church in Lovelady. Graveside services followed at 3:00 p.m. in the Waco Memorial Park. Condolences for Mrs. Pearson may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

ELVERA PORET SAUCIER

Mrs. Elvera Poret Saucier, age 85 of Grapeland, passed away Monday, January 16, 2011 at her residence. Mrs. Saucier was born January 19, 1925 in Hickory, Louisiana and was a 1941 graduate of Cottonport High School in Cottonport, Louisiana. Mrs. Saucier was a resident of Grapeland for many years. She was involved with her children in the P.T.O., Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts of America. She was a member of the Garden Club and Business and Professional Women in Grapeland. Mrs. Saucier was also a member of the St. Francis of the Tejas Catholic Church in Crockett having served on the Ladies Guild and was very active in the Catholic Daughters of America. Survivors include her children David Saucier and wife Peggy, of Houston, Philip Saucier and wife Lisa, of Santa Fe, Cynthia Jones and husband Fred, of Magnolia, Walter Saucier and wife Tina, of Grapeland, Burton Saucier and life partner Helmut Stuhlman, of Valrico, Fla., Cheryl Rodriguez and husband Roy, of Houston and Tim Saucier and wife Kim, of Grapeland; grandchildren David Emile Saucier, Stephen Saucier, Sara Rodriguez, Ryan Saucier, Eric Saucier, Matthew Jones, Jennifer Noto, Susan Jones, Roy Rodriguez IV, Reneè Basham, Melissa Parker and Keith Saucier; step-grandchildren Jamie Stewart and Vince Stewart; great-grandchildren Jena Saucier, Leah Saucier, Mattie Saucier, Allie Noto, Carson Basham, Addisyn Basham, Nathaniel Saucier, Natalie Saucier, Caroline Saucier, Chloe Saucier, Ellie Rodriguez, Benjamin Rodriguez and Macie Parker; brothers Ory G. Poret of Baton Rouge, La. and Dr. Harris L. Poret and wife Josie, of Cottonport, La.; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her husband Walter Earl (Dutch) Saucier; parents Lionel H. and Sarah (Ardoin) Poret; brothers Dr. Harvey A. Poret and Curley L. Poret. Funeral Mass for Mrs. Elvera Poret Saucier was held Friday, January 21, 2011 at 1:30 p.m. in the St. Francis of the Tejas

Catholic Church with Father Ranjan Cletus and Father Gary Rottman officiating. Interment followed in the Augusta Cemetery. Condolences for Mrs. Saucier may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

GORDON PYLE

Mr. Gordon Pyle, age 70 of Jacksonville, Arkansas, went to meet our Lord on January 7, 2011 after a long courageous battle with COPD. Mr. Pyle was born June 9, 1940 in Weches to the late Doyle and Annie Francis Pyle. After graduating from high school he joined the US Air Force. For many years Mr. Pyle worked for Veritype until joining a close friend in his computer sales company. On December 18, 1970 he married Joan VanBuskirk Admire in North Little Rock. He enjoyed gardening, hunting, and bird watching. He was a charter member of Military Road Baptist Church. Mr. Pyle was an active and faithful member of the church where he also composed the church's monthly newsletter. He remained an active prayer warrior when he could no longer attend services. Those who knew him understood his love for life and his quick witted sense of humor. To perfectly describe him would be to say he was completely loyal, reliable, cooperative, trustworthy and a loving husband, father, and grandfather who will be truly missed. Survivors include his loving wife of 40 years, Joan Pyle, of Jacksonville, Ark.; five children Keith (Wanda) Admire, Scott Admire, all of Jacksonville, Ark., Beth Ann (Teddy) Reynolds, of McNeil, Ark., Robin Ann (Tom Turnbeaugh) Pyle, of Pocatello, Idaho and Doyle (Shannon) Pyle, of Houston; 10 grandchildren; six greatgrandchildren; two brothers Mickey Pyle, of Rosenburg, and Royce (Edna) Pyle, of Alto; sister Robbie Francis (Trent) Baggett, of Houston; numerous nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by his parents Doyle and Annie Francis Pyle; older brother Bill Pyle; two sister-in-laws Joyce and Pansy Pyle. Funeral Services for Mr. Gordon Pyle were Wednesday, January 11, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. at Military Road Baptist Church with Brother Tim Hicks officiating. Interment will be Friday, January 14, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in Weches Cemetery in Weches. Please sign online guestbook at www.mooresjacksonvillefuneralhome.com Moore's Jacksonville Funeral Home

ANNIE JEWEL SHMOLDAS

Miss Annie Jewel Shmoldas, age 63 of Lovelady, passed away Monday, January 10, 2011 in the Whitehall Nursing Center in Crockett. Miss Shmoldas was born March 19, 1947 in Camden, Texas and had lived in Houston County most of her lifetime. Miss Shmoldas enjoyed gardening, pets, coloring and her entertainment was watching television and listening to the radio. Survivors include her mother Rosie Steffek, of Crockett; sister Dorothy Whitehead and husband Ron, of Weldon; nephew Daniel Whitehead, of Weldon; numerous cousins and other relatives. Preceded in death by her father Richard Shmoldas; step-father Martin Steffek; and nephew Russell Whitehead. Private Graveside Services for Miss Annie Jewel Shmoldas were held Friday, January 14, 2011 at 2:30 p.m. in the Center Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Charity of Choice or Heart to Heart Hospice. Condolences for Miss Shmoldas may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

PAULINE MARIE HALLMARK

Mrs. Pauline Marie Hallmark, age 95 of Flowery Branch, Georgia, formerly of Crockett, Texas, passed away Tuesday, January 11, 2011 in the Willowwood Nursing Home in Flowery Branch, Georgia. Mrs. Hallmark was born October 8, 1915 in Houston County, Texas and was a resident of Crockett for many years. She was the wife of Burke L. Hallmark until his death on January 19, 1996. Mrs. Hallmark was a former member of the First Baptist Church in Kennard and First Baptist Church in Crockett. She was a housewife. Survivors include her one child Shirley Hallmark Goodwin and husband Dr. Charles Goodwin, of Atlanta, Ga. area; three grandchildren Timothy Goodwin, Andy Goodwin and Tylene Goodwin Foster, all Atlanta, Ga.; three great-grandchildren Savannah Foster a student at Georgia Tech in Atlanta, Ga., Hunter Foster a student at Georgia State University in Atlanta, Ga. and Drew Goodwin a student at Valdosta State University in Valdosta, Ga.; many nieces and nephews; and great-nieces and great-nephews; and a few great-great-nieces and greatgreat-nephews. Preceded in death by her parents Robert Edward Sanders and Norma Byers Sanders, of Houston County; three brothers Homer Sanders, of Houston, Nelson Sanders and Austin Sanders,

both of Huntsville; and three sisters Helen Hobson, of Huntsville, Zula Broxson, of Lovelady, and Mavrick Hobson English, of Latexo. Funeral Services for Mrs. Pauline Marie Hallmark were held Sunday, January 16, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Jim Durham officiating. Interment followed in the Calvary Cemetery in Nogalus Prairie. Condolences for Mrs. Hallmark may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

EMMA PAULINE WESTBROOK

Mrs. Emma Pauline Westbrook, age 90 of Latexo, passed away Wednesday, December 29, 2010 in the Pine Ridge Healthcare in Livingston. Mrs. Westbrook was born December 20, 1920 in Angleton, Texas and had lived most of her lifetime in Latexo. Mrs. Westbrook was retired from Champion Papers in Pasadena where she had worked as a secretary with 40 years of service. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the First Baptist Church in Latexo. Survivors include numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives including; great-niece and care-giver, Sheila Koperna and husband Bill, of Livingston; and great-great-niece Stacie Walton, of Onalaska. Preceded in death by husband of 65 years, James L. Westbrook; parents Willie and Sallie (Giesecke) Pruitt; and half brother Billy Pruitt. Funeral Services for Mrs. Emma Pauline Westbrook were held Sunday, January 2, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the First Baptist Church in Latexo with Dr. Jeff Taylor officiating. Interment followed in the Latexo Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Order of the Eastern Star, Masonic Lodge or the Shriner's. Condolences for Mrs. Westbrook may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home ALTA "SISSY" RAY Miss Alta "Sissy" Ray, age 52 of Huntsville, passed away, Friday, December 31, 2010 in the Huntsville Memorial Hospital. Miss Ray was born June 20, 1958 in Crockett, Texas and had lived most of her lifetime in Huntsville. Survivors include her brother Wayne Roberson and wife Joyce, of Huntsville; sister Addie Ray "Mickey" Smith, of Huntsville; brother Larry Roberson and wife Debbie, of Riverside; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her parents Alton Ray, Sr. and Addie Lou Ray; sister Betty Joyce Roberson; brother Alton Ray, Jr.; and sister Mary Huntsberger. Funeral Services for Miss Alta "Sissy" Ray were held Tuesday, January 4, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. John Goss officiating. Interment followed in the Davis Cemetery. Condolences for Miss Ray may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

JO-CARROLL FILLEY

Mrs. Jo-Carroll Filley, beloved wife, mother, sister and friend, left this earth peacefully on Thursday, December 30, 2010, surrounded by love with her daughter and son-in-law by her side. Mrs. Filley was born on February 21, 1950 to Mervin and Doris Jean (Andrus) Sanford in Conroe, Texas. She grew up in Victoria, and was a long time resident of Crosby, where she was a Deputy Sheriff with the Harris County Sheriff's office. She later moved to Crockett, where she again pursued her career with law enforcement with the Houston County Sheriff's office. Along with her long-time public service, she also loved working with the local animal shelters to help neglected and unwanted animals. She also had a love of antiques and opened up the antique shop "Somewhere in Time" on the square in downtown Crockett. She later reunited with classmate Michael Filley, and remarried and moved to Austin. She will be truly missed and is loved by all. Survivors include her husband Mike Filley, of Austin; daughter Kymberly and her husband George Poulos, of Austin; stepchildren John, Daniel, and Laura Filley, of Austin; sister Linda and her husband Bud Hankins, and their children, Jason Hankins and Ashlee and husband Robert Seale, and their daughter Abbi Seale, all of Victoria. Preceded in death and met in heaven by her parents Mervin and Doris Jean Sanford. Memorial Services celebrating Jo's life was held Thursday, January 6, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. in the Memorial Chapel of Cook-Walden Capital Parks Funeral Home, 14501 North Interstate 35, Pflugerville, Texas 78660. To share your memories of Jo-Carroll with her family, please visit HYPERLINK "http://www.cookwaldencapitalparks.com" www.cookwaldencapitalparks.com. Cook-Walden Capital Parks Funeral Home

HELEN CALVERT CHANDLER

Mrs. Helen Calvert Chandler, age 97 of College Station, previously of Lovelady, passed away

Monday, January 3, 2011, in the Magnified Health and Rehab of Anderson in College Station. Mrs. Chandler was born September 20, 1913 in Prairie Point Community and had been living in College Station for the past 3 years. Mrs. Chandler was a member of the A & M Church of Christ in College Station and was a housewife. Survivors include her son Leon Chandler and wife Pat, of Conroe; daughter Linda Chandler, of Bryan; grandchildren Michael Chandler, of Conroe, Jeff Chandler, of Houston, Paula Roberts, of Somerville, Steven Barefield, of Houston, Amanda Wright, of Austin, Matthew Martin, of College Station and Cynthia Martin, of Marble Falls; 15 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; sister-in-law Jo Calvert, of Madisonville; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her husband Carl Chandler; daughter Melba Anderson; parents Austin and Minnie Calvert; grandson Jodie Barefield; sisters Faye Chandler, Lois Jeffus and Ruth Carroll and brother, Gary Calvert. Funeral Services for Mrs. Helen Calvert Chandler were held Thursday, January 6, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with Mr. Lanier Stevens officiating. Interment followed in the Lovelady Antioch Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Houston County Cancer Support Group c/o First Community Bank, P. O. Box 172, Crockett, Texas 75835. Condolences for Mrs. Chandler may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

DIANA MORROW

Mrs. Diana Morrow, age 76 of Lufkin, passed away Tuesday, January 4, 2011 in Lufkin at Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Morrow was born June 30, 1934 in Kansas City, Missouri to the late Amelia (Vanson) and Virgil Ross Sheffield. She had resided in Lufkin since June 1974. Mrs. Morrow graduated from Stephens College and the University of Missouri. She was a 5th and 6th grade teacher, and taught in Kansas City, Missouri, Grand Island, Nebraska, and Jacksonville, Florida, and in 1975 she began teaching at St. Cyprian's Episcopal School in Lufkin. Mrs. Morrow enjoyed performing in plays at Angelina College. She loved playing Bridge, and taught Bridge classes at Angelina College. Mrs. Morrow was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Lufkin. Mrs. Morrow was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. Her proudest moments in life were the births of her son and three grandsons. Survivors include her husband of 48 years, Terry Morrow, of Lufkin; son and daughter-inlaw James Sheffield and Kimberly Morrow, of Plano; grandsons Taylor, Zach and Jake Morrow; sister and brother-in-law Jean and Jim Prewitt, of Indian Wells, Calif.; nieces Julie Kramschuster, Jill Smull and Janis Auner; and a number of other relatives and a host of friends. Funeral Services for Mrs. Diana Morrow were held Friday, January 7, 2011 in the Henderson Chapel of the First United Methodist Church of Lufkin with Senior Pastor D. Nick Sholars officiating. Entombment followed in the Garden of Memories Memorial Park Sunset Mausoleum. Pallbearers were Gene Benton, Bryan Blevins, Arthur Jordan, James Kerbo, Jake Morrow, Taylor Morrow, Zach Morrow and Dr. Jerry Spinks. Honorary Pallbearers were the members of the Crown Colony Neighborhood Dinner Club. Memorial contributions may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Lufkin, 805 East Denman Avenue, Lufkin, Texas 75901 or Hospice in the Pines, 116 South Raguet Street, Lufkin, Texas 75904. Memories and condolences may be added at www.carrowayfuneralhome.com. Carroway Funeral Home

ALMA KNOX TAYLOR

Ms. Alma Knox Taylor, age 82 of Abilene, passed away Wednesday, January 5, 2011 in Abilene after a brave battle with cancer. Ms. Taylor was born December 18, 1928 in Crockett to Dovie and Leo Knox, Alma was the youngest of seven children. She grew up in Crockett and graduated from Crockett High School and Sam Houston State University. She was a devoted mother and avid cheerleader to her sons Charlie and Steve. Ms. Taylor lived in Abilene, Texas and had a long, successful career at Waldrop's Furniture. In recent years she brought joy to all the patients and staff at her son's orthodontic office. A sports enthusiast and strong competitor; countless memories were made playing golf and tennis with her family and friends. Survivors include her sons Charles Marcus Taylor III and wife Linda, Steven Knox Taylor and wife Kristine; grandchildren Meredith and Stephen Luskey, Margaret Claire Taylor, John Knox Taylor and Ellen Kristine Taylor were the joy of her life. Preceded in death by her parents Dovie and Leo Knox; granddaughter Hallie Elizabeth Taylor; twin sister Bettye George; brothers Willie Knox and HB Knox; and sisters Dorothy Barker, Peggy Mattox and Doris Faye. A Memorial Service for Ms. Alma Knox Taylor was held Friday, January 7, 2011 at Church of the Heavenly Rest, Episcopal with The Reverend Luke Back officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to Hendrick Hospice, 1682 Hickory Street, Abilene, TX 79601, and Church of the Heavenly Rest, Episcopal, 602 Meander, Abilene, TX 79602. Online condolences may be posted at HYPERLINK "http://www.HamilFamilyFuneralHome.com" www.HamilFamilyFuneralHome.com. The Hamil Family Funeral Home

WILLIAM T. (BILL) TONEY JR.

Mr. William T. (Bill) Toney, Jr. age 97, passed away Thursday, December 16, 2010, in Austin. Mr. Toney was born in Houston County, Texas, the eldest son of William Thomas Toney and Ida Ora Leonard Toney. After attending area schools, he enlisted in the Army and served in the Cavalry. After being discharged by the Army and working along the Texas border as a Border Patrol Agent, Bill enlisted in the Navy and served aboard the USS Crescent City in World War II. Following WWII, he remained in the Navy Reserves and retired as a Commander, while still serving in the Border Patrol. He was a master marksman, and won the National Pistol Championship in 1952, and served as an official at the 1984 Olympics. After retiring from the Border Patrol, he joined the faculty of Stephen F. Austin State University and later worked for the State of Texas as a probation officer. Survivors include his children Anne Toney, Martha (Ron) Cunningham, John Toney, and William Toney III (Maggie); grandchildren William Small (Gina), Thomas Small (Stacy), Cullen Toney, Sarah Littler (Ben), Laura Smith (Kyle), Summer Toney, Rose Toney, Julia Toney, and William Toney IV.; greatgrandchildren Kati, Rebecca, TJ, Payton, Austin, and Alexander; sisters Helen Toney, Demp Toney and Nelma Wilkinson. Preceded in death by his brothers H. Beeson and Vinnis Toney. Funeral Services for Mr. William T. (Bill) Toney Jr. were held Tuesday, December 21, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. in the Weed-Corley-Fish Chapel. In lieu of flowers, the family asks for contributions to the American Heart Association or your favorite charity. Memorial guestbook available online at HYPERLINK "http://www.wcfish.com" www.wcfish.com Weed-Corley-Fish Funeral Home

SUE GIBSON HILL

Mrs. Sue Gibson Hill, age 72 of Crockett, passed away Monday, December 20, 2010 in Crockett. Mrs. Hill was born November 19, 1938 in Crockett, Texas and had lived in Crockett for the past 15 years. Mrs. Hill was a housewife and was a member of the Shady Grove Baptist Church. Survivors include her husband Billie G. Hill, of Crockett; daughters Rita Gibson King and husband DaWayne, of Crockett, Susan McDaniel and husband Curtis, of Crockett; grandchildren Timothy King and wife Shelly, Anthony King and wife Kendall, all of Crockett and James Ragsdale and wife Michal, of Beaumont; great-granddaughter Leah King, of Crockett; step-children Jacky Hill and wife Deana, of Crockett and Russell Hill and husband Jody, of Buffalo; step-grandchildren Brandon Hill and wife Sandy, of Crockett and Tiffany Thomas and husband Justin, of Spring; step-great-grandchild Tristen; sisters Carol Patrick and husband James, of Crockett and Estelle Stuart, of Houston; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by her husband Jack Gibson, Jr. in 2005; parents George and Jewell Richardson; and nephew David Patrick. Funeral Services for Mrs. Sue Gibson Hill were held Thursday, December 23, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Mack McCall officiating. Interment followed in the New Energy Cemetery. Condolences for Mrs. Hill may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

PAULA JONES

Mrs. Paula Jones, age 88 of Lovelady, passed away Monday, December 20, 2010, in the Triumph Health Care in Tomball. Mrs. Jones was born August 17, 1922 in Collin County, Texas and had lived in Lovelady since 1982. Mrs. Jones was instrumental and actively involved in Between Job Ministries in Northwest Bible Church. She was a housewife and a member of the First Baptist Church in Lovelady. Survivors include her daughter Patricia Anne Williams and husband Larry; son Larry C. Jones and wife Allie; sister Sandra Jaynes; brothers Lloyd Fred Akin, Kenneth Ray Akin and wife Loretta; grandchildren Robert D. Williams and wife Nan, Robin A. Arnold and husband Brian, Rodney

E. Williams and wife Kathleen, Ronald Williams and wife Renee, Lori Snelson and husband Ricky, Heather Shaffer and husband Kevin, Shelly Jones, Robin Kachantones-Tucker and husband Michael, Lainie McKeating and husband Sean, Jessica Doty and husband, Michael; 20 great-grandchildren, two great-great-grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews, greatnieces, great-nephews and friends. Preceded in death by her parents Roy and Edna Akin; husband John H. Jones, Jr.,; son Vaughn Ray Jones; and sister Edna Faye Jones and husband, Quinton. Funeral Services for Mrs. Paula Jones will be held Monday, December 27, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in the Northwest Bible Church in Spring with the Rev. Scott Matthews officiating. Graveside Services will follow at 3:00 p.m. in the Holly Cemetery. Condolences for Mrs. Jones may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

MAVIS LITTLE KNOX

Mrs. Mavis Little Knox, age 89 years young, passed away peacefully Saturday, December 18, 2010 in Maysville, Kentucky. Mrs. Knox was born to T. L. (Roy) Little and Maude Gayle Little on March 25, 1921 in Volga, Houston County, Texas and resided in the county for most of her life. She also spent ten years of her adult life in Centerville in Leon County. She was a lifetime member of the Church of Christ, most recently the South Loop Church of Christ in Crockett. She was a faithful Christian all of her life. Mrs. Knox was a graduate of Sam Houston State Teachers College. During her lifetime, she was a farmer and rancher's wife, a school teacher, a County Home Demonstration Agent and an employee of the State Welfare Department. She was an active member of the Houston County Historical Society and spent many years of service at Crockett's East Texas Medical Center. In that service, she was praised many times for her loyal and dedicated work. Her proudest moment there was when she was recognized for 2,000 hours of service. Survivors include her children daughter Pamela Knox Webb, of Tollesboro, Ky.; son Royce Malcolm Knox, of Southlake; six grandchildren; 13 greatgrandchildren; brother Thurman Little, of Lovelady; and a sister Genelle Treesh, of Brenham. Preceded in death in 1989 by her husband of 49 years, Malcolm (Mack) Knox; and a son Terry Paxton Knox at the age of 15 in 1961. Funeral Services for Mrs. Mavis Little Knox were held Wednesday, December 22, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with her family officiating. Private Graveside Services followed. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Leukemia Society, Donor Services, P.O. Box 4072, Pittsfield, MA 01202. Condolences for Mrs. Knox may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

DENNIS SEXTON

Mr. Dennis Sexton, age 87 of Crockett, passed away Tuesday, December 21, 2010 in the East Texas Medical Center-Tyler. Mr. Sexton was born November 6, 1923 in Houston County, Texas and was a resident of Crockett most of his lifetime. Mr. Sexton was a veteran of the U. S. Army having served during World War II. He was a retired painter and a member of the First Baptist Church in Crockett. Survivors include his wife Jane Omelina Sexton, of Crockett; sister-in-law Mickey McGaugh, of Corsicana; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Preceded in death by his parents Will and Leila Sexton; sisters Syble Beeson and Mary Lou Welch; brothers W. J. Sexton, John Elliott Sexton and Charles Edgar Sexton; and special cousin Wilma Sexton Foote. Funeral Services for Mr. Dennis Sexton were held Friday, December 24, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Keeney Dickenson officiating. Interment will follow in the Evergreen Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Houston County Animal Shelter, Houston County Veterinary Hospital, 2105 North Fourth Street, Crockett, Texas 75835. Condolences for Mr. Sexton may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

HAZEL MCANALLY

Mrs. Hazel McAnally, age 96 of Pasadena, passed away Friday, December 24, 2010 in the Bayshore Hospital in Pasadena. Mrs. McAnally was born September 13, 1914 in Mt. Selman, Texas, and had been living in Pasadena for the past 11 years. Mrs. McAnally had worked as a clerk for Craven and Dargins Insurance and was a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Mt. Selman. Survivors include her two sisters Frances Loretta Blaylock and husband Thomas Winston, of Houma,

Ouida Sanderson, of Pasadena; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives including, Sandee and Stan Davis, of Friendswood and Sherry and Mike Mays, of Mobile, Ala. Preceded in death by her husband Milton Fletcher McAnally. Graveside Funeral Services for Mrs. Hazel McAnally were held Monday, December 27, 2010 at 10:30 a.m. in the Old Glover Cemetery with the Rev. Reggie Gregory officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation, 1100 W. 49th Street Room #G408, Austin, Texas 78756. Condolences for Mrs. McAnally may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

MATTIE BELL NICK

Mrs. Mattie Bell Nick, age 98 of Grapeland, passed away Saturday, December 25, 2010 at Houston County Nursing Home. Mrs. Nick was born October 5, 1912 in Houston County to J.L. and Olivia Gentry Whitehead. Mrs. Nick was a homemaker, an avid quilter and gardener. She was a member of the First Baptist Church, Grapeland. Survivors include her daughters Lilly Pearl Moss, of Sherman, Marie Reed, of Grapeland, Eva McKinney, of Lufkin, Mattie Lou Richardson, of Crockett and Edwena Martin and husband Bobby, of Palestine; two sisters Ruth Butler and Elsie Kinard, both of Grapeland; 16 grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; and great-great-grandchildren. Preceded in death by her parents J.L. and Olivia Gentry Whitehead; husband A.E. Nick; son John Truit Nick; sisters Alma Randall, Adell Martin, and Eunice Tims; brothers Decator Whitehead, Clifton Whitehead, Eacle Whitehead, and Frank Whitehead; three grandchildren Jessie Lynn Tims, D.E. Tims, Rodney Richardson; and two great-grandchildren Ashley Nicole Benge, and Stephanie Curry. Funeral Services for Mrs. Mattie Bell Nick were held Wednesday, December 29, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church, Grapeland with the Rev. David Bradley and the Rev. Wes Johnson officiating. Interment followed in Whitehead Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the First Baptist Church, Grapeland, Texas. To view online, leave condolences or sign the guest book go to www.baileyandfosterfuneralhome.com Bailey & Foster Funeral Home

DOROTHY PARKS WRIGHT

Mrs. Dorothy Parks Wright, age 92, passed away Sunday, December 26, 2010. Picking cotton during the depression was a way for Dorothy Parks Wright to help out with her family's needs. She had one sister and four brothers and would work in the fields sometimes after school. Dragging around a 100 pound sack of cotton prepared her for the stamina required to raise three of her own children while working full time for the Harris County Department of Education as a bookkeeper. Mrs. Wright was born in Kennard, Texas to Will B. and Carrie Parks. She moved to Houston after high school and began her career as a bookkeeper in the late 1930's working for the T.J. Bettis Company. It was here she met her husband, Mitchell Wright, who coincidentally, spent his childhood years about 60 miles away in Pineland, Texas. She was a dedicated Christian who lived her life in service of the Lord Jesus Christ. A favorite Bible verse was "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us of our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." I John 1:9 Mrs. Wright passed away peacefully in the afternoon surrounded by her immediate family and numerous caregivers who have provided some of the best loving care imaginable during the previous year. Her generosity touched so many lives and she will be missed. Survivors include her sister Bernice English, of Kennard; son Paul M. Wright, of Austin; daughter Carrie Gay (husband Mike), of Katy; grandchildren Katie Gay, Austin Gay (wife Rebecca), Kelli Gay, Barclay Wright; and numerous, cousins, nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by her husband Mitchell Wright (1990), son William Lon Wright (1995). Funeral Services for Mrs. Dorothy Parks Wright were held Wednesday, December 29, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. in the First Baptist Church in Kennard with the Rev. Jim Durham officiating. Interment followed Corinth Cemetery. A Memorial Service for other family and friends will be held at the West University Baptist Church on January 8, 2011. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in Dorothy's name to a charity of the giver's choosing. Condolences for Mrs. Wright may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home

ALVIN ALLEN BURCHFIELD

Mr. Alvin Allen Burchfield, age 97 of Rusk, passed away Sunday, December 26, 2010 at the Arbors

Nursing Home in Rusk. Mr. Burchfield was born February 26, 1913 in Trevat, Texas to the late Samuel Allen and Anne Ball Burchfield. He was the second child and oldest son of Samuel and Spice Anne Burchfield. He was delivered by his grandfather, Dr. Smith Strauther Ball M.D. Mr. Burchfield was a logger in the Fastril and Diboll communities. He was interviewed by Tumble Weed Smith and Bob Bowman. Mr. Burchfield was a Mason for almost 65 years, served as Grand Master and recently received the prestigious Golden Trowel Award and was recognized as the oldest Mason in the state of Texas performing Masonic burial memorials which he was "honored" to do. He was a member of the Rusk Euclid Masonic Lodge #45, First United Methodist Church in Rusk, The Order of Eastern Star, Rusk/Alto Chapter#79, The United Cherokeean Indian Nation Tribe, a carpenter by trade, craftsman and oil field worker. Survivors include his daughters and their spouses, June Hensley, of Nacogdoches, Gloma and Jim Aultman, of Lufkin, Sharron and James Randall, of Crockett, Shirley and Jim Newell and Judy and Dan Williams, all of Rusk; son Randy Burchfield and wife Kathy, of New Caney, 12 grandchildren and spouses, Kenny and Karen Hensley, Kirk and Diana Hensley, Keith and Gina Hensley, Jerry and Carrie Mullins, Jonathan and Kimberly Mullins, Tim and Rhonda Williams, Jay Williams, Eric and Stacia Newell, April and Tobin Becker, Amber and Jason Ortega, Aaron and Crystal Burchfield, Ashley and Jeremy Lusk; 21 great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, brother-in-law Truman and Truis Hugghins, Merle Thornhill, Jewel Eberhardt and Mary Ellen Harris. Preceded in death by his wife of 63 years, Ruby Hugghins Burchfield; parents Samuel Allen and Anna Ball Burchfield; two brothers; three sisters; son-in-law Kenneth "Rock" Hensley. Funeral Services for Mr. Alvin Allen Burchfield were held Thursday, December 30, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. in Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home in Rusk with Randy Burchfield and the Rev. Don Copeland officiating. Masonic Graveside Rites was in Salem Cemetery. Pallbearers will be his grandsons. If desired, memorials may be made to Rusk Euclid Masonic Lodge #45 and The Scholarship Fund, PO Box 56, Rusk, TX 75785. Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home

DONNIE RAY WEISINGER

Mr. Donnie Ray Weisinger, age 57 of Houston, formerly of Grapeland, passed away Saturday, December 25, 2010 at Southern Hills Medical Center, while visiting family in Nashville, Tennessee. Mr. Weisinger was born February 28, 1953 in Crockett to Donald and Wilma Lucille Koepnick Weisinger. Mr. Weisinger spent his entire career in the oil industry. In his more than 35 years in the industry Mr. Weisinger worked for a number of companies and in a variety of locations. Mr. Weisinger worked on-shore and off, from Louisiana to Alaska and on projects across the globe. He worked for BP, Exxon Mobile, and Vastar, and finished his career as director of drilling completion for Noble Energy in Houston. Survivors include his wife of 38 years, Lanita Weisinger, of Houston; father Donald Weisinger, of Grapeland; three sons Eric Weisinger, of Nashville, Tenn., Kurt Weisinger and wife Brittany, of Oak Harbor, Wash. and Luke Weisinger, of Houston; sisters Shirley Huff and Barbara Brown and husband Greg; brothers Donald Gene Weisinger and wife Gwen and Billy Oscar Weisinger and wife Sherry. Preceded in death by his mother Wilma Lucille Koepnick Weisinger. Funeral Services for Mr. Donnie Ray Weisinger will be Thursday, December 30, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. in Oak Grove Baptist Church with Bro. Fred Lintelman officiating. Interment will follow in Guiceland Cemetery. To view online, leave condolences or sign the guest book go to www.baileyandfosterfuneralhome.com Bailey & Foster Funeral Home

JOHN R. (JOHNNY) SHAVER

Mr. John R. (Johnny) Shaver, age 86, went to be with the Lord on Thursday, December 30, 2010 in Conroe, Texas. Mr. Shaver was born in Grapeland, Texas on November 15, 1924 to Willis and Adelaide Shaver. He joined the Navy Seabees in the 1940's during WWII and was in the South Pacific corridor. After the war he returned to Crockett where he met and married Martha Ann Spence. They had one son, John Rodney Shaver, Jr. and lived in Crockett, Texas. He retired from Entex as Manager of the Crockett office after thirty-seven years of service. Mr. Shaver was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Crockett, a member of the Lothrop Masonic Lodge #21 of Crockett and retired from the Crockett Volunteer Fire Department presiding as Fire Chief during that time. He loved being with his family and his many friends, along with fishing and hunting. Survivors include his son John

Rodney Shaver Jr. and wife Barbara Norrid Shaver, of Kingwood; sister Marjorie Shaver Cecil; grandson Eddie Norrid, of Deer Park; greatgrandchildren Lexi and Riley Norrid; sister-in-law Doris Spence Griffin; nieces Gorgana Shaver Hyde and Mary Helen Cecil York; nephews James David Cecil, David Frank Griffin, Dwight Griffin, Don Griffin and Bill Freshour. Preceded in death by his loving wife, Martha Ann Spence Shaver; father Willis Shaver, mother Adelaide Selkirk Shaver; brother George Willis Shaver; sisters-in-law Charlyne Matchett Shaver and Peggy Spence Freshour; brother-in-law James Cecil; niece Jo Anna Cecil; and nephew Marty Freshour. Funeral Services for Mr. John R. (Johnny) Shaver were held Saturday, January 1, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with Dr. Jerry House officiating. Graveside service followed in Evergreen Memorial Park in Crockett. In lieu of flowers donation may be made to the Shiloh Methodist Church, P. O. Box 984, Crockett, Texas 75835. Condolences for Mr. Shaver may be left at online obituaries www.callawayallee.com Callaway-Allee Funeral Home