

# Funeral Rites Held Thursday For Pioneer

Services were held Thursday for Charles A. Sitton, an early resident of western Irving. Sitton was born in what was known as Shady Grove in 1888.

Sitton, 74, was buried in Shady Grove Cemetery. At the time of his passing, he had five children, 10 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren. He was living at 920 Centre St. in Dallas when he died.

Survivors include: wife, Emma; brother, Dan of Mansfield, Tex.; daughters, Mildred Frances of Dallas, Ellen Pendergrass of Tyler; sons, Tommy of Irving, James of Albuquerque, New Mexico, Douglas of Dallas; sisters, Minnie Moreland of Irving, and Mrs. Jim White of Irving.

The above list includes only immediate family. Sitton was related to many other local persons.

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# French Pioneer's Son Dead

Funeral services will be held Thursday for George Santerre, of 3622 Singleton. He was the father and brother of three Irving women.

A native of Eagle Ford community, he was the son of Emmanuel Santerre, last surviving member of the French Colony, La Reunion, established in Dallas. He was 70 years old at the time of death and was a retired carpenter.

He is survived by his wife; four daughters, Mrs. Zelma Reese of Irving, Mrs. Pat Little, Mrs. Gladys Kent and Mrs. Sylvia Stewart of Dallas; two sisters, Mrs. Annie Leatherwood and Mrs. Inez Guttinger of Irving; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

~~Services will be held at 10~~  
a.m. at the Dudley Hughes Funeral Chapel. Burial will be in Oak Grove Cemetery.

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# Death Takes A. F. Schaefer

A. F. (Gus) Schaefer, Irving cultural and religious leader, died suddenly Sunday while on a weekend pleasure trip.

Elizabeth; two sisters, Grace M. Schaefer and Freida Schaefer; two brothers, W. A. and Paul C. Schaefer.

Mrs. Ann Brown will officiate at final rites.

Schaefer died while staying at the Holiday Inn motor hotel in Paris, Tex. Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. at the Black's Funeral Chapel. Cremation will follow.

Schaefer, a resident of 2009 Standish, was a past reader in the Christian Science Church. He also was president of the Irving Community Concerts Association.

In business life, he was owner of the A. F. (Gus) Schaefer Insurance Agency, 1533 W. Irving Blvd.

Survivors include his wife,



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# Search For Boy Finished

SHAMOKIN, Pa. (UPI) - A 12-year-old boy chased a squirrel into the opening of an unused mine Tuesday night and plunged 450-feet to his death.

The battered body of Kenneth Schickley Jr., of Shamokin, was found shortly before 6 a.m. Wednesday by two miners who crawled along the steep sides of the shaft supported by rotted wooden shoring which threatened to give way.

The boy's father, who had stood in hopeful vigil through the night outside the floodlit mine entrance, collapsed when the news was relayed to the surface by a portable telephone.

"My God, My God," he sobbed.

John Varano, of Shamokin and Joseph Garcias, of Kulpmont, went down to the 355-foot level of the 525-foot mine in a gumboat, a modified mine cart used as an elevator. They crawled the remaining 90-feet down the 60-degree shaft and searched for more than two hours before making the grim discovery.

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ST. LOUIS - - Police arrested three youths Tuesday and followed their directions to the charred body of an elderly salesman of religious articles stuffed in a furnace. The body of Anthony J. Schlader, 72, Bridgeton, Mo., was found in the ~~basement of the home of Ruben Anderson~~ son, 21.

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# Father Of Irvingite Dies at 93

Frank Schulz, a pioneer Dallas resident, passed away at noon Thursday after a long illness. Schulz lived with his daughter Mrs. Frances Highsaw, 1230 Owenwood Dr. in Irving. He was 93 years old at the time of his death.

Schulz came to Dallas from Germany as a youth. He served in 1899 on the Dallas Police Force. At the time of his death, he was the oldest living former member of this organization.

He was a building contractor and founded the Schulz Lumber Co. approximately 50 years ago. He was a Charter member of the Carroll Ave. Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife, Ida, one son, Frank Jr. of Mesquite; three daughters, Mrs. Gertrude Barnes, Mrs. Margaret Espy of Dallas, and Mrs. Highsaw of Irving; six grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

Services were at 10 a.m. Saturday, Ed C. Smith & Bro. Chapel in Dallas. Interment was in Restland.

Pallbearers included Arthur Barnes Jr., Dudley Mothers, Jack Locklear, Edgar Watson, Gerhardt Grushkus, and W. B. Post.

Schulz will long be remembered, as he has helped many young people get started in the Dallas area.

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# Last Rites Wednesday For Searles

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Black's Funeral Chapel for Chester B. Searles, father of Mrs. Bruce Tankel of Irving. Burial will be in Oak Grove. Rev. Walter Crossman will officiate.

Searles, an employee of the Hal Gullledge Insurance Co. of Dallas, died suddenly Sunday night. He was 83. He was a native of Danbury, Conn.

Pallbearers will include Melvin W. Jackson, Hal Gullledge, J. M. Allender, Albert D. White, Roy C. Wood, and Nelson J. Clower.

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## **Services Set For D. Seiber**

Funeral services will be held 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Black's Funeral Home Chapel for Dewey Ray Seiber of 407 Union Bower Rd. Seiber, 32, passed away Saturday.

—He is survived by his father Clifford Seiber; a son, Michael Ray; a daughter, Juanita Kay; two sisters, and two brothers.

Graveside services at Oak Grove Memorial Cemetery ~~will be conducted at Masonic Lodge #1218.~~

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# Last Rites Held For L.E. Shelby

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at Black's Funeral Chapel for Loyce Elmer Shelby, of Aransas Pass, Texas. He was a former Irvingite and had moved to Aransas Pass about two and one half years ago. He owned and operated a Motel there.

Prior to his moving to Aransas Pass, he had lived in Irving for 25 years. Shelby was a Baptist and was a member of Masonic Lodge 1218 of Irving.

He is survived by his wife, Edith; three sisters, Miss Jessie Lee Shelby of Irving; Mrs. Berilce Murphy, Paradise, California; and Mrs. O. S. Witt of Irving; two brothers, E. L. Shelby, Dallas; and C. L. Shelby of Paradise, California.

Masonic Graveside Services followed the Chapel service. Rev. John Merritt officiated and burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery.

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## **Irvingite's Brother Dies**

Funeral services were held Tuesday for Sam E. Shelton, 923 Donlee St. of Lancaster. Shelton, 69, was the brother of Mrs. A. A. Hendrix of Irving. ~~He died Monday at the Woodlawn Hospital in Dallas.~~

Shelton worked for the Globe Laundry for three years prior to his death. Before working with Globe, he worked for the Ideal Laundry of Dallas as twenty years. He was a member of the Baptist Tabernacle Church.

Services were held at the Byrum Funeral Home Tuesday in Lancaster. Rev. F. E. Baughman officiated. Interment was in the Eaglewood Cemetery.

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## Sible Rites

### Set for Today

BEDFORD — Funeral services for Mrs. Ruby Florence Sibley, of Fort Worth, mother of T. C. Sibley of Bedford, were to be held at 2 p.m. Saturday in Azle Avenue Church of Christ with burial in Bluebonnet Cemetery in Colleyville.

Mrs. Sibley died Thursday night in a hospital after a week's illness. Other survivors include her husband, Adam F. Sibley, two daughters, two sisters, one brother, two half sisters and five grandchildren.

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# Rape, Murder Suspect Nabbed

SOPERTON, Ga. (UPI) -- A Negro handyman wanted for strangling a Westport, Conn. matron and kidnaping and raping her 14-year-old daughter was arrested here Friday about the time the victim's funeral was in progress.

Harlis Miller, 31, and his common-law wife, Rosalle, were picked up outside the home of Miller's mother, Mrs. Mary Miller.

FBI agents who made the arrests said Miller was hiding in a pickup truck and his wife was standing beside the vehicle when agents arrived on the scene.

Both suspects denied knowledge of the crimes and waived a preliminary hearing, agents said. They were jailed in Augusta pending their return to

Connecticut.

Soperton police said Miller had no local record. He and his wife claimed they arrived here Wednesday night and have since been staying with Miller's mother.

Miller is charged with murder, kidnap and rape. His wife is charged with kidnaping.

Miller, a lanky, 195-pound Negro, had done yard work for the victim, Mrs. Isabel Sillan, 50. The woman's body was found Monday night by her husband, Pierre, a fashion designer.

Their daughter, Gail, 16, was allegedly kidnaped by the killer and taken for a 12-hour auto ride during which she was raped. She finally managed to break loose in Norwalk, Conn.

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# Rites Set For

## Simpson Tot

IRVING -- Gerald Don Simpson, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roy Simpson, Briery Rd., died Friday. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Oak Grove Saturday. Rev. Bohanan will officiate.

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## **Weatherford Rites Held for Mrs. Singleton**

Funeral services were held Monday for Mrs. Ola Singleton, 80, of 1521 Alden.

She lived 30 years in Weatherford before moving to Irving.

She is survived by four sons, Scott R. Singleton of Irving, H. L. Singleton of Dallas, Frank E. Singleton of Molena Park, Calif., and Herman Singleton of Germany; three brothers, E. L. Smith of Waxahachie, Rev. H.C. Smith of Stephenville, and H. M. Smith of Houston; three sisters, Mrs. Kate Self of Waxahachie; Mrs. Vela Marcie of Dallas, and Mrs. Tab Gebhardt of Monticello, Fla.

Services were held at 10 a.m. in the First Methodist Church in Weatherford.

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## Mother Of Mrs. Wylie Dies at 71

Funeral services were held recently for Ada Smith, of Valley View, Texas. She was the 71-year-old mother of Mrs. Val Wylie of Irving.

Mrs. Smith died April 23 in a Gainesville hospital. She had been in poor health for the past two years.

Services were held in Valley View at the First Baptist Church, with Eastern Star Graveside services. She was buried in the Valley View Cemetery. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Wylie, 326 Perch Hill Rd., Irving, and Mrs. C. L. McCuiston Jr., of Forney; one son, G. O. Smith, of Idalou, Texas, three brothers; two sisters; nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

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## *Funeral Rites*

### *Held Monday.*

### *For Girl, 3*

Funeral services were held at 4:00 p.m. Monday for Lisa Smith, daughter of Bob and Nancy Smith of Brownsville, Texas.

Little Lisa, drowned late Friday afternoon at their home in Brownsville. She was three and one half years old.

Lisa was the granddaughter of Mrs. M. E. Belk, of 2056 Rosebud Dr. in Irving.

Interment was in Brownsville, Texas.

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# **J. Ray Smith**

## **Funeral Held**

### **At St. Mark's**

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday at St. Marks Episcopal Church for Harvey J. Ray Smith, 327 Geneva.

He died in Parkland Hospital August 19. Smith was 71 years old at the time of death. He is survived by his wife, Yemba; one daughter, Marjorie Koch, Liberal, Kansas; one son, Wm. R. Smith of Dallas; one sister, Emman Stanly; four grandchildren. Interment was at Oak Grove Cemetery.

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# Mother-Of Irvingites Is Buried

Funeral services were held Monday for Mrs. Pearl Smith of Commerce, the mother of two Irving women. Mrs. Smith was 84 and had been in ill health for several years. She had lived in Commerce since a small child and was a member of the First Baptist Church there.

Survivors are six daughters, two of which are from Irving. They are Mrs. Mildred Compton and Mrs. Gladys Hitt. Other daughters are Miss Stella Smith of Magnolia, Arkansas; Miss Dorothy Lee Smith of Dallas; and Miss Wynell Smith and Mrs. Jane Williams, both of Commerce. A sister, Mrs. Mary Beggs, lives in Garland. Other survivors are two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Interment was in Rosemont cemetery in Commerce with the Rev. Julius Stagner officiating.

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# **R.L. Smith Final Rites Scheduled**

Raymond L. (Mooney) Smith, 44, formerly of Irving, died in the Veteran's Administration Hospital in Dallas Sunday.

He had been living in De Soto, Texas.

Smith was an Irving resident for more than 40 years. He had been suffering from a long illness.

An active member of VFW Post 4477, he received a campaign medal and five bronze stars for outstanding service in World War II.

Two brothers, Bill and Charles are Irving residents.

Other survivors include: wife, Betty Jo; daughter, Mrs. Ann Durham of Dallas; sons, Raymond, Jr., James, and Dennis of De Soto; sisters, Mrs. Ann Patterson and Mrs. Julia Christiansen of Irving; Mrs. Ruby Harrison of De Soto; Mrs. Ruth Sorells and Mrs. Leona Russell of Dallas.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Dudley M. Hughes Chapel in Dallas, Rev. C. E. Starnes of Bible Way Chapel in Irving officiating.

Interment will be at Oak Grove.

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## *Ex-Irvingite Is Buried At Oak Grove*

Funeral services for Raymond L. (Mooney) Smith of De Soto, formerly of Irving and a native of Dallas County, were held Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. in the Dudley Hughes Chapel with the Rev. C. M. Stearns, of Irving, officiating. Burial was in the Oak Grove Cemetery in Irving.

Smith was a veteran of World War II, he served in North Africa, Sicily and the European theaters of operation, participating in five campaigns.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Jo,—a daughter, Ann, and three sons, Raymond Jr., James and Dennis, all of De Soto. Also five sisters and two brothers. Mrs. Ann Patterson and Mrs. Julia Christiansen, both of Irving, Mrs. Ruby Harrison, of De Soto, Mrs. Ruth Sorrells and Mrs. Leona Russell, both of Dallas. Mr. Bill and Charles Smith of Irving.

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LUBBOCK - Robert Long Smith, 19-year-old Texas Tech freshman from Dallas, was found dead Tuesday in the shower of his Lubbock apartment. Justice of Peace George McClesky, who is conducting an inquest, said ~~the body was discovered about 9 a.m.~~ Smith was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Smith of Dallas.

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# Services Set For Mother Of Irvingites

Mrs. Samantha Jane Smith, 79, resident of Irving and Grand Prairie for 43 years passed away Thursday after a long illness in a nursing home in Maybank, Texas.

A Baptist, she is survived by two sons, Sam Smith of Irving, and Raymond Smith of Clute, Texas. A daughter Mrs. Cordie Bell Matthews, also lives in Irving.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. in the Moore-Brown Funeral Chapel. Interment will be held at Parkdale in ~~Arlington~~

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# 25-year Resident Dies in Hospital

Funeral services will be held 3 p.m. Tuesday for William Aubrey Sorrells, 1118 Perry Rd. He died at Methodist Hospital Sunday. He was 55.

Sorrells was a salesman for Burrus Mills in Dallas and had lived in Irving for 25 years.

He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Betty Nanson and Sarah Sorrells, of Irving. Parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Sorrells; four sisters, Mrs. Mildred Franklin, Mrs. Martha Stewart, Mrs. Ora Hogan and Bernie Moffett all of

Dallas; two brothers, L.G. Sorrells of Dallas, and A.J. Sorrells of Farmers Branch, and four grandchildren.

The family requests that there be no flowers.

Services will be at the First Baptist Church, and Rev. Charles Stevenson will officiate. Burial will be at Oak Grove. Blacks Funeral Home is in charge. Pallbearers will be Wesley Ballman, Pat DeMott, Rob Smith, Jake Holster, Ray Martin, and Wayne Bauserman.

Honorary Pallbearers will be employees of Burrus Mills.

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## Father Dies

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Charles A. Splawn  
 Survived by wife,  
 3 sons  
 2 daughters

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## *James Starr*

### *Rites Friday*

Funeral services will be held 10 a.m. Friday for James M. Starr, 75, at Black's Funeral Home Chapel. A resident of Irving for 20 years, Starr lived at 115 W. Oakdale. He passed away at his home Tuesday morning.

Services will be conducted by Rev. Henry Kinkeade of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include one sister, Mrs. Olle Williams of Dallas, and three brothers, Bart, Edgar, and Otto Starr of Dallas.

Interment will be at Oak Grove Memorial Cemetery.

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## World War I Veteran Dies In Hospital

Charlie W. Stewart, 68, 723 Knight Ln., died at 2:50 p.m. Friday, April 27, at the Veteran's Administration Hospital in Dallas.

~~A life-long resident of Irving, he was active in the Veterans of World War I unit in Irving.~~

Services will be held Monday, 10 a.m. at Leach Funeral Home. Burial will be held at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Survivors include: wife, Lillie; brother, Clem of Irving; sister, Mrs. Alice Scott of Ashville, North Carolina; and three step-children.

Pallbearers will be members of Irving Barracks #1637 of Veterans of World War I. Final arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made.

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# Hurst Man Succumbs

HURST — Robert Plumer Streety, 62, of 500 Buena Vista In Hurst, died Thursday in a Wichita Falls hospital.

Streety, a Hurst resident for eight years, was a retired pumper for Magnolia Oil Company and was a Baptist.

Surviving are his wife; a daughter, Mrs. A. F. Cromenas of Hurst; three sons, Clifford, and Virgil Streety of Snyder and Gale Streety of Hurst; a sister, Mrs. Flory Phillips of Stephenville, and four brothers, Henry Streety of Walters, Okla., Charlie Streety of Mineola, Okla., George Streety of San Diego, Cal., and Bunch Streety of Maud, Okla.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Lucas Chapel with burial in Mount Olivet.

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## **Funeral Rites Scheduled for Wreck Victim**

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Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. for Mrs. Joann Anderson Stubbs, 3419 Princeton. She died in Methodist Hospital Monday night, following a two-car collision on Highway 183.

She was 28 years old at the time of death. She had lived in Irving for 5 years.

Services will be held in Black's Funeral Chapel Wednesday afternoon at 4 p.m. She is survived by her husband, Robert T. Stubbs; three sons, Kevin, Britt and Bruce Stubbs; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Anderson; and one sister, Nancy Muffick.

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# Sutton Dies Of Heart Seizure

Funeral services will be held Wednesday for Willard E. Sutton, 1118 High School Lane. He died suddenly at his home Monday evening of a heart attack. He was 47.

Sutton operated the local Bell Cleaning and Laundry branch for the past five years. Prior to that he operated the Irving Drive In Grocery. He had lived in Irving for 13 years.

A member of First Methodist Church, Sutton was a graduate of NTSC, and a member of the NT football team 1934 - 35 - 36. He was in the Armed Forces from 1941 to 1945 and was in the 8th Air Force in Europe for two years as a Master Sgt. He was born in Bardwell, Texas.

Sutton is survived by his wife, Eloise; one son, Jack; one daughter, Susan; one brother, A. N. (Doc) Sutton; and his mother, Mrs. Alice Sutton.

Services will be at 10 a.m. at Black's Funeral Chapel. Interment will be at Oak Grove Cemetery. Rev. Henry Mood will officiate.

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**Mrs. Swan**  
**Rites Tuesday**

Funeral services will be held 10 a.m. Tuesday at Blacks Funeral Home Chapel for Mrs. Lilly Nanette Swan, 78, of 4005 N. Greenview. She passed away Friday at a Dallas hospital.

She is survived by her son, Bart R. Swan of Germantown, Tenn.; one sister, and one grandchild.

Interment will be at Hillcrest Cemetery.

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