

## ***Mary Helen Neal***

Mary Helen Neal of Irving died Nov. 28 of natural causes at Irving Hospital. She was 72.

Born Aug. 30, 1925 in Buckholts, Mrs. Neal was a homemaker. She lived in Irving for 36 years and previously resided in Waco and at Fort Hood.

Mrs. Neal is survived by her husband, Earl D. Neal; son David E. Neal of Dallas; sons and daughters-in-law



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Charles R. and Billie L. Neal of Irving, Robert L. and Mary Helen Neal of Whitehouse, Curtis A. Neal and Rhidonah Ladner-Neal of Stone Mountain, Ga.; and eight grandchildren, including William Earl Neal of Irving.

Graveside services were held Dec. 1 at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens, the Rev. Wallas Philpot officiating. Arrangements by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.

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## Texas Death Index, 1903-2000

Name: **Rosh Nealy**  
Death Date: **9 Mar 1997**  
Death County: **Nueces**  
Gender: **Male**

**Source Information:**

Ancestry.com. *Texas Death Index, 1903-2000* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc. 2006.  
Original data: Texas Department of Health. *Texas Death Indexes, 1903-2000*. Austin, TX, USA: Texas Department of Health, State Vital Statistics Unit.

**Description:**

This index lists persons who died in the State of Texas, USA, between 1903 and 2000. The index was provided by the Texas Department of Health. At minimum these records include the name of the deceased, county of death, and death date.

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## *T. J. Nelson*

T.J. Nelson of Irving died Feb. 27. He was 87.

Mr. Nelson was born March 24, 1909 in Tarrant County. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Irving, Masonic Lodge AF and AM 1218, York Rite, Chapter and Council.

He is survived by his wife Leeonto Etter Nelson; sons Tom Nelson of Irving and Bob Nelson of San Francisco, Calif.; sister Lessie Tuffley of Blanco; brother E.M. Nelson of Garland; two grandsons and six great grandchildren.

Services are scheduled for 10 a.m. March 3 at Brown's Memorial Chapel, Brown's Memorial Funeral Home, Dr. David Johnson officiating. Interment at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

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March 2, 1997

## *Verda Schmitter Nelson*

Verda "Vee" Schmitter Nelson, 71, of Irving, died Thursday, May 29.



Mrs. Nelson was born Dec. 19, 1925, in Cooper. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her sons and daughter-in-laws, Bob and Carol Schmitter of Hempsted and Jim and Nelda

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Schmitter of Duncanville; daughter and son-in-law, Candi and Greg Seely of Irving; sisters, Florene Dean of Memphis, Tenn., and Pat Taylor and husband, Norris of Ogden, Utah; grandchildren, Kari Davis, Sean Seely, Eric Schmitter, Chad Seely, Scott Seely, Justin Schmitter and Travis Schmitter; and three great-grandchildren.

Services were scheduled for Saturday, May 31, Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Ed Young officiating. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

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## ***Robert Charles Neurath***

Robert Charles "Bob" Neurath of Irving died at his home of natural causes Oct. 29. He was 70.

Born May 10, 1927 in New Britain, Conn., Mr. Neurath retired in 1984 from S.H. Kemp in Dallas

as a sales representative. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, a member of First Lutheran Church of Reformation in New Britain, an Eagle Scout and a member of the Masonic Lodge in Connecticut.

Mr. Neurath is survived by his wife, Emelia Neurath; sons Rob Neurath of Washington, D.C., Roger Kleier of New York, N.Y.; daughter Linda Neurath of Jackson, Miss.; and sister Carol Hoffman of Stuart, Fl.

Services were held Oct. 31 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home. The family requests memorials be made to the American Heart Association, 1615 Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, 75207.

*Nov 2, 1997*

***Bonita Elaine Cazzell  
Newby***

Bonita Elaine Cazzell Newby, formerly of Irving, died in a Grand Prairie nursing home June 6. She was 87.

Born May 5, 1910 in Amarillo, Mrs. Newby lived in Irving for eight years. She was a retired bookkeeper for West Texas State University. She was preceded in death by her parents L.C. and Nannie Cazzell; son Jack Vilas Newby II and brother Leslie Cazzell. She is survived by her daughter Sharon Murray of Slidell, La., 10 grandchildren, 23 great grandchildren, four great, great grandchildren and brother Nard Cazzell of Amarillo.

Services were held June 10 at Llano Cemetery in Amarillo. Local arrangements by Chism and Smith Funeral Home.

June 15, 1997

# Dead body leaves IPD with questions

By **LIZABETH CARDENAS**

*News Staff Writer*

A body found Tuesday in north Irving field has launched police on a homicide investigation.

Police say Micah Newstadt, 25, had been missing since mid-December. They believe he was murdered because of "obvious indications of foul play" and a Dallas County Medical Examiner's ruling citing death "homicidal violence including sharp force injuries" as the cause of death.

Police declined to comment on details of the condition of the body.

"As far as the position (he was found in) or the wounds, we can't

get into that because of the status of the investigation," said David Tull, public information officer with the Irving police department. Tull did say the body was fully clothed.

According to police, Newstadt's body was found in a partially wooded field in north Irving by a man collecting some wood. The man called police at 4:55 p.m., and then led officers to the body. Tull said the field where Newstadt's body was found is located about 100 yards north of Royal Lane between O'Connor Road and MacArthur Boulevard.

Police are still trying to find out

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Micah Newstadt.

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how Newstadt's body ended up in the field — whether it was dumped there or he was killed at that location.

"We're trying to determine that," Tull said. "There wasn't any obvious indications of how he got there."

In addition, police are also trying to come up with possible suspects — no particular suspect has surfaced yet, Tull said.

"It's too early in the investigation," Tull said. "Our detectives haven't gotten to that point yet. The scope of the investigation hasn't narrowed to a specific suspect at this time."

According to police, Newstadt's father had reported him missing on Dec. 18 because he had been unable to contact his son. However, the initial missing persons report "did not reflect a fear of foul play," because it was "not uncommon for Newstadt to be out of contact for extended periods of time."

"He traveled around a lot," Tull said. "When the father came

in to the department he said he just wanted to report him missing although it was not uncommon for him to be gone for several days or even weeks."

Newstadt's body was found "partially decomposed," police said, but the medical examiner's office has not yet made a ruling on the time of death. Tull said Irving police will probably combine the information detectives gather from their investigation with the medical examiner's findings in order to come up with an approximate time of death.

He said north Texas weather, especially in recent weeks, makes it difficult to determine an exact time of death.

"Weather plays a factor in how fast a body decomposes," Tull said. "Extreme hot or cold temperatures speeds up the decomposition process, and we've had some pretty cool weather, so that's going to be a factor. In addition, stable climates can help determine the rate a body will decompose. But here, the weather keeps changing so it makes it more difficult."

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## ***Harry Wallace Newton***

Harry Wallace Newton of Irving died Aug. 18 at Parkland Hospital in Dallas of injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident. He was 51.

Born in Fort Worth Nov. 5, 1945, Mr. Newton was a warehouseman, a stamp and coin collector, a member of MacArthur Boulevard Baptist Church and a U.S. Navy Reserve retiree N.R.M.C.B. 22.

He is survived by his wife, Pat Newton; son and daughter-in-law Tony and Sondra Harrel of Grand Prairie; daughters and sons-in-law Tami and Steve Stringer, Traci and Jerry Henderson, all of Irving; brother John Newton of Hawley; sisters Laverne Lutz of Krum, Linda Daniel of Benbrook; one grandson; and six granddaughters.

Services were held Aug. 21 at MacArthur Boulevard Baptist Church, the Rev. John Meador officiating. Interment at Central Cemetery, Hawley. The family requests memorials be made to Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, 2222 Welborn St., Dallas, 75219. Arrangements by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.

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## *My Van Nguyen*

My Van Nguyen, 24, of Irving died Sunday, April 6 in a Dallas hospital.

Born Dec. 6, 1972, in Vietnam, he was a member of Plymouth Park Vietnamese Missionary Church and a two-year resident of Irving.

Survivors include his mother, Lang Nguyen of Irving, and his sisters, Be Thi Nguyen, Xi T. Huynh, Mai T. Huynh, Cuc T. Huynh, Loan T. Huynh and Le T. Huynh, all of Irving.

Services were held Wednesday, April 9, at Plymouth Park Baptist Church with the Rev. Tron Nguyen officiating. Burial is at Bear Creek Cemetery in Euless. Arrangements by Chism-Smith Funeral Home.

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10, April 1997

***Eva Nell Denbow Norris***

Eva Nell Denbow Norris died of cancer Nov. 1. She was 63.

Born in Hunt County, March 15, 1934, Mrs. Norris retired in 1995 from Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Vicki and Mike Kettler of Irving; daughter Sherry Johnson; mother Jessie Mae Denbow; sister Betty Skinner; brothers Michael, Tommy, Billy and M.L. Denbow; three sisters-in-law; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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Services were held Nov. 5 at Laurel Land Funeral Home Memorial Chapel.

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***Lou Audrey Norris***

Lou Audrey Norris of Carrollton died Oct. 31 in Denton. She was 78.

Born in Jonesborough, La. Dec. 21, 1918, Mrs. Norris is survived by her daughter, Jackie Neal Martin of Irving; daughter and son-in-law Patricia and Gary Martin of Carrollton; four grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Graveside services are scheduled for 10 a.m. Nov. 3 at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens, the Rev. Danny Ray Holmes officiating. Arrangements by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.

*Nov. 2, 1997*

## **The Rev. Clayton Northcutt**

The Rev. Clayton Northcutt of Irving died Aug. 15 in Dallas. He was 49.

Born May 30, 1948 in Dallas, the Rev. Northcutt was pastor for First Baptist Church in Las Colinas and a former chaplain for the Irving police department. He was a U.S. Army veteran and served with the 101st Airborne Division in the Vietnam War.

The Rev. Northcutt is survived by his wife, Nita Northcutt; his mother Juanita Sheppard of Red Oak; daughter Angela Northcutt of Irving; son Jeremy Northcutt of Irving; sister Ouida Fonteno of Red Oak; brothers Delton Northcutt and Bobby Northcutt, of Red Oak and Irving respectively.

Services are scheduled for 3 p.m. Aug. 18 at First Baptist Church, 403 S. Main St. in Irving, the Revs. Bill Jividen and Joe Eaton officiating. Visitation hours are Aug. 17 from 2p.m. - 4p.m. at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home, 707 N. MacArthur Blvd. Interment at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. The family requests memorials be made to the First Baptist Church, Las Colinas, Building Fund, 1930 Gateway Dr., Irving, 75038; the Clayton Northcutt Conference Center and Retreat, Beacon Hill Baptist Church, 110 Central Ave., Cheyenne, WY 82007; or the American Cancer Society. Arrangements by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.

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### ***Jesse E. Nutt***

Jesse E. Nutt of Grand Prairie died at Irving Hospital of natural causes Dec. 7. He was 83.

Born Aug. 20, 1914 in Winkler, Mr. Nutt retired in 1976 from Vilbid Construction of Dallas after 30 years of service. He was also a World War II veteran.

Mr. Nutt is survived by his sister and brother-in-law Ruth and Dub Camp, formerly of Irving, now residing in Grapevine; Nathen Homel of Dallas; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held Dec. 8 at Grove Hill Cemetery, Dallas, Ernest Wilson officiating. Arrangements by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.

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