**Frank S. Sachs**

Frank S. Sachs, 85, of Birmingham, Ala., died Saturday, July 5.

Mr. Sachs was an active civic leader having been president of the Chamber of Commerce, Junior Chamber, and other organizations in Bessemer, Ala. He was a member of Temple Emanuel.

He is survived by his sons, Joseph M. Sachs of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Les A. Sachs of Irving; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Graveside services were held at Elmwood Cemetery in Birmingham.

Memorials may be made to the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, 2222 Welborn Street, Dallas, TX 75219.

*July 10, 1997*
Tamara Salas

Tamara Salas, a newborn, died Thursday, Jan. 30 at The Irving Hospital.
Salas was born that same day, on Jan. 30.
Survivors include her parents, Juan and Yadanira Salas of Irving.
Graveside services were held Saturday, Feb. 1 at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Local arrangements are being handled by Chism-Smith Funeral Home in Irving.

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Robert A. Sale

Robert A. Sale, 88, of Irving, died Thursday, Jan. 30 at his home. Mr. Sale was born Nov. 6, 1908 in Decatur. He had lived in Irving since 1934. He retired from Mobil Oil Company in 1973. He was a member of First Baptist Church since 1934 and belonged to the Fellowship Class. He was an Irving volunteer fireman for 20 years, and was a contributing member of the Irving Heritage Society. Mr. Sale was a member of the Masonic Lodge No. 1218 for 56 years. In 1995, he received the High Spirited Citizen Award from the Irving Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Survivors include his wife of 63 years, Helen Sale of Irving; daughter, Barbara Baker of Killeen; granddaughter, Shelley Tessman of Arlington; step-grandchildren, Celisa Zeobar of Seattle and Jay Barker of Killeen; and great-granddaughter, Ashley Zeobar.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and five brothers and sisters.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, Feb. 1 at First Baptist Church, with Dr. Randy Rudisell, Jesse Andrews and Chuck Stevenson officiating. A Masonic graveside service followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Family visitation took place Friday, Jan. 31 at Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home.

February 2, 1997
Manuel M. Sanchez, Sr.

Manuel M. Sanchez, 72, of Dallas, died Monday, July 7.

Mr. Sanchez was born Sept. 20, 1924 in Dallas. He was a driver for Joske's Department store in Dallas for more than 37 years, retiring in 1987. He was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Dallas.

He is survived by his wife, Josephine Sanchez of Dallas; sons, Patrick Gonzales of Irving, Paul Edward Gonzales of Fort Worth, Richard W. Gonzales of Lewisville, Jerry L. Sanchez of Irving and Manuel M. Sanchez, Jr., of Irving; daughters, Patricia Moreno of Dallas, Matilda M. Robles of Dallas, and Josie Mendoza of Dallas; sister, Vera Stone of Dallas; 34 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Mass was celebrated Wednesday at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church with the Rev. Jesse Torre as celebrant. Arrangements by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.

July 10, 1997
Simon Sanchez Jr.

Simon Sanchez Jr. died at his Irving home June 13 after a lengthy illness. He was 63.

Born Jan. 8, 1934 in Dallas. Mr. Sanchez was a respected member of the Dallas soccer community. He was a longtime member of the Dallas Cup Board, a soccer player and coach with the Irving Soccer Association. He coached MacArthur High School to a state championship in 1974. He was employed with American Envelope for more than 40 years.

Mr. Sanchez was honored for a “lifetime of commitment and service” to the Hispanic and soccer communities during the Fiesta de Futbol at the Dallas Cup XVIII in March with a ceremony on the field.

He is survived by his wife Mona Zaval Sanchez; daughters Cindy Ruiz, Cooki Castro; son Simon Sanchez III; sisters Elia Morales and Alice Barbolla; brothers Ruben Moreno, Arnold Sanchez and Abel Sanchez; grandchildren Kristine Monica and Veronica Ruiz, Erica and Christina Castro and Danny and Serena Sanchez.

Rosary is scheduled for 7 p.m. today at Donnelly’s Colonial Chapel, George Benigno officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 9-9:30 a.m. Monday, June 16 after which a procession will leave for St. Luke’s Catholic Church where the Rev. J. Douglas Deshotel will perform a Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. Interment will be at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

June 15, 1997
Nancy Mary Sandoz

Nancy Mary Sandoz, 66, of Irving, died Monday, Feb. 17.

Ms. Sandoz was born Dec. 20, 1931, in Minneapolis, Minn. She was a retired Teamsters Member, local No. 745, and she was a member of St. Luke’s Catholic Church in Irving.

She is survived by her daughter, Sue Moody of Irving; sons, Daniel Bergaus of Irving and Patrick Moody of Euless; brother, William Whitney of California; and grandchildren, Marcus Moody of Irving and Jared Moody of Euless.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Feb. 19, at St. Luke’s Catholic Church, with Rev. Doug Deshotel officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be sent to the American Cancer Society. Local arrangements were with Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home.

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Beth Sands

Beth Sands of Irving died Feb. 28. She was 32.

Ms. Sands was born May 21, 1964 in Dallas. She was employed as a retail clerk. She was a member of Bethel Baptist Church.

Ms. Sands is survived by her father and step-mother Billy and Vickie Lannom of Chico; mother and step-father Nadene and John Sears of Irving; son Nathan Sands of Unionville, Mo.; sister Deanna Hutchason of Forth Worth; brothers Gary Sears of Dawson and Terry Sears of Godley and her grandparents Lois and Leroy Pratt of Irving.

Services are scheduled for Monday, March 3 at 2 p.m. in the Bethel Baptist Church, Irving. Interment to follow at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

March 2, 1997
Sun Duk Sang

Sun Duk Sang of Irving died Nov. 9. She was 87.

Born July 24, 1910 in Korea, Mrs. Sang was a widowed homemaker.

She is survived by her son, Thomas Taeman Yu of Irving; daughter-in-law Sae Jong Yu, of Irving; grandsons Jae J. Yu and James J. Yu, both of Irving and Donald J. Yu of Rocklin, Calif.; great grandson Elias J. Yu of Irving; and granddaughter-in-law Joomee S. Yu of Irving.

Services were held Nov. 9 at Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home Chapel, the Rev. Tommy Sohn officiating.
Leo Sass

Leo Sass, 86, of Irving, died Thursday, April 10.

Mr. Sass was born on Sept. 2, 1910, in East Germany. He came to the United States in 1910, and received his citizenship on July 18, 1958.

She was preceded in death by her son, Fred Sass; daughter, Dora Sass; and grandson, Danny Sass.

He is survived by his daughters, Gisela Chandler of Irving and Trudy Pearson of Lindale; sons, Eddy Sass, Gerhard Sass and Kurt Sass, all of Irving, Harold Sass of Grand Prairie and Wolfgang Sass of Irving; 20 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Friday, April 11, at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens with Rev. Milton Robins officiating.

April 17, 1997
Leo Sass

Leo Sass, 86, of Irving, died Thursday, April 10.

Mr. Sass was born on Sept. 2, 1910, in East Germany. He came to the United States in 1951, and received his citizenship on July 18, 1958.

He was preceded in death by his son, Fred Sass; daughter, Dora Sass; and grandson, Danny Sass.

He is survived by his daughters, Gisela Chandler of Irving and Trudy Pearson of Lindale; sons, Eddy Sass, Gerhard Sass and Kurt Sass, all of Irving, Harold Sass of Grand Prairie and Wolfgang Sass of Irving; 20 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Friday, April 11, at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens with Rev. Milton Robins officiating under the direction of Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.

April 20, 1997
Oliver Savage

Oliver Savage of Irving died of natural causes at Irving Hospital Aug. 6. He was 60. Arrangements pending with Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home.

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**Roxie Lee Savage**

Roxie Lee Savage of Irving died March 25 in the city. She was 88.

Mrs. Savage was born Jan. 1, 1909 in Grove Hill. She was a former resident of Blue, Okla., and a member of Hilltop Baptist Church. She had been an inspector for General Aluminum.

Mrs. Savage was preceded in death by her husband, Loyal T. Savage and son Loyal Savage. She is survived by daughters Oneta Carey and June Savage, both of Irving; and sons Freddie Savage of Bells and Don Savage of Savoy; 12 grandchildren and 28 great grandchildren.

Services are scheduled for 2 p.m. Thursday, March 27 at Hilltop Baptist Church, Irving. Horace Crowder and Paul Chetam officiating. Interment to follow at Restland Cemetery, Dallas. Memorials may be made to the Hilltop Baptist Church Building Fund, 1126 Hilltop Dr., Irving 75060. Local arrangements by Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home.

**MAR. 27, 1997**
Wilbert R. Sayre

Wilbert R. Sayre of Irving died Nov. 9. He was 70.

Born in Humansville, Miss. March 7, 1927, Mr. Sayre was an aircraft mechanic for Bell Helicopter. He graduated as valedictorian with a bachelor's of arts degree in theology from Trinity Valley Baptist Seminary and spent two years traveling with Baptist Missions. Mr. Sayre was also a former pastor at Eastville Baptist Church in Eastville. He had spent the last 10 years researching Christian archaeology. Mr. Sayre also received several honors from Bell Helicopter before retiring.

Mr. Sayre is survived by his wife, Fay Sayre; sons Richard G. Sayre and Gary Sayre, both of Irving, Bobby Sayre of Mabank; sisters Gladys Shadden of Jasper, Sandra Sayre of Lott; brother Billy Sayre of Burbank, Calif.; and four grandchildren.

Services were held Nov. 12 at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel, the Rev. Robert Corser officiating. Interment at Restland Memorial Park.
Mary Lynn Schaefer

Mary Lynn Schaefer of Austin died Oct. 13 in Irving of natural causes. She was 59.

Born May 9, 1938 in San Antonio, Mrs. Schaefer was a counselor for the Austin school district for 20 years, a member of St. David Episcopal Church in Austin, an at-risk counselor at Barbara Jordan Elementary School in Austin and a court-appointed special advocate for many years.

She is survived by her sister and brother-in-law Sherry and Walter Allison of Irving; mother Marjorie Alexander Catalani of Irving; one niece and two nephews.

Memorial services are scheduled for 3:30 p.m. Oct. 16 at St. David Episcopal Church, E. 7th and San Jacinto, Austin, the Rev. Jim Bethel officiating. Graveside service 11 a.m. Oct. 17, Mission Park Cemetery South, San Antonio, Dr. William P. Lytle officiating. The family requests memorials be made to the St. David Episcopal Church Endowment Fund, P.O. Box 315, Austin, 78767. Arrangements by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.

OCT. 16, 1997
Hessie Schaffer

Hessie Schaffer of Grand Prairie died of natural causes at The Irving Hospital May 28. She was 65.

Mrs. Schaffer, a previous resident of Irving, was born in Manny, La. July 4, 1931. She was a widowed retired machinist. She is survived by brothers Lonnie Lewing of Irving, Paul Lewing of Vivian, La.; daughters Glenna Maria Myers of Grand Prairie, Sally Ann Johnson of Stephens, Ark.; sons David Vincent Schaffer of Houston, Joe Frank Schaffer of Euless; sisters Lorretta Lewis of Shreveport, La., Ester Terry of Vivian; seven grandchildren; seven great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services were held May 31 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel, the Rev. Gene Hill officiating. Interment at Moore Memorial Gardens, Arlington.
Milton W. Schreck

Milton W. Schreck, 75, of Irving, died Friday, March 14.

Known to friends as "The Wizard of Oddz and Endz." Mr. Schreck was born Oct. 15, 1921, in Davenport, Iowa. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, Korea and Vietnam, retiring as a decorated lieutenant commander in 1969.

He was a member of the North Dallas Fellowship Church, the Masonic Lodge, Dallas Scottish Rite, and Hella Shrine Temple.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Mary Ruth Schreck; daughter and son-in-law, Patricia Anne and Robert English; sons and daughter-in-law, Laurence Milton and Diane Schreck of Englewood, Co., Emil R. and Judy Schreck of Irving; grandchildren, Debbie, Mike, Rob, Brandon, Ryan, Colby and Holly; great-grandchildren, Ashley Anne.

Services were held Tuesday, March 18 at Restland Wildwood Chapel with Rev. Joe Bailey officiating. Burial followed at Restland Memorial Park.

Memorials may be made to VITAS Hospice, 5001 L.B.J. Freeway, Suite 1050, Dallas, TX 75244 or Scottish Rite Childrens Hospital, 2222 Welborn Street, Dallas, TX 75219.
Donna Marie Schultz

Donna Marie Schultz, 51, of Irving died Monday, Feb. 17.

Mrs. Schultz was born Dec. 1, 1945 in Sullivan, Mo. She was an accountant at the Dallas Convention Center.

She is survived by her husband, E. Gene Schultz, Jr.; parent, Mildred M. Morrison of California; daughters, Carla Rae Robertson of Arizona, Patricia Louise Enslinger of Irving, Alice M. Reynolds of Wichita, Kan., and Emily Ann Bruner of Brady; sons, Timothy Lee Dritchas of Arizona and Gregory Eugene Schultz of Abilene; sister, Jean Bowen of California; brother, Jerry Schneider of California; and 14 grandchildren.

Services were held Friday, Feb. 21 at White Chapel Memorial Gardens in Wichita, Kan. Interment followed at White Chapel Memorial Gardens.

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Alvie E. Scott

Alvie E. Scott of Irving died Oct. 16. He was 77.

Born in Madill, Okla. Jan. 25, 1920, Mr. Scott worked as a water engineer for the city of Irving. He was a veteran of the U.S. armed forces with service in WWII. Captured three days after the invasion of Normandy, Mr. Scott was a prisoner of war and eventually liberated by Russian forces in Dresden, Germany.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth Scott; daughters and sons-in-law Shirley Padgett of Chandler, Barbara and George Hicks of Irving, Rita and Skip Marham of Cookeville, Tenn.; sister Elvie Holcomb of Hansen, Idaho; 11 grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren.

Services were held Oct. 18 at Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home Chapel, the Rev. Kenny Robison officiating. Interment at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

OCT. 19, 1997
James Malcolm Scott

James Malcolm Scott of Irving died at home of natural causes June 9. He was 77.

Born May 11, 1920 in McKinney, Mr. Scott was a professional printer for 32 years with Kroger Food Stores before retiring in 1983. He was also a U.S. Navy veteran who served in WW II.

Mr. Scott was preceded in death by his daughter Diane in 1991. He is survived by his wife, Ruby; daughters Donna Scott of Irving, Shirley Dorrell of Bailey, Carole Craft of Savoy; sons David and Gary Scott, both of Irving, Robert Scott, of Hurst; brothers Michael and Clyde Scott, both of Garland, Weldon Scott of Allen, Eldon Scott of Fredericksburg, Dan Scott of Dallas; sister Dorothy Shipley of Kemp; 15 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

Services were held June 11 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel, George Baker officiating. Interment at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. The family requests memorials be made to the Spina Bifida Association, 705 W. Ave B, Suite 300, Garland 75040.

June 12,
1997
Hazell Selby

Hazell Selby of Irving died July 31 at Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas. She was 83.

Born May 24, 1914 in Weatherford, Mrs. Selby moved to Irving in the early 1940s and owned the First Street Drug Store. She retired from the First National Bank in Irving in 1985. A longtime member of the First Christian Church in Irving, Mrs. Selby was an active member of the Women’s Guild until her death.

She is survived by sister and brother-in-law Douglas and Barbara Grogan of Irving; sister Dora Lynn Bates of Memphis, Tn.; six step children and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held Aug. 2 at First Christian Church, the Rev. John Burton officiating. Interment at Greenwood Cemetery, Weatherford. Memorials may be made to a charity of choice. Arrangements by Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home.

Aug. 3, 1997
Billie Marie Hutton Shafer

Billie Marie Hutton Shafer of Irving died Jan. 20 in the city. She was 67.

Mrs. Shafer born March 10, 1929 in Dallas. She was a homemaker. She is survived by her stepmother, Fannie Hutton; daughter Janet Shafer Romine and son-in-law Christopher Romine of Irving; sisters Betty Hutton of Dallas and Nancy Cooper of Houston; brothers Bob Hutton and wife Beverly of Irving, Tommy Zinn and wife Jimmie of Irving and James Zinn of Dallas as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services are scheduled for 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 23, at Brown's Memorial Chapel, with Byron Stark officiating. Interment to follow at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Jan 23, 1997
Patricia Diane Shaw
Patricia Diane Shaw of Dallas died Nov. 17. She was 42.
Born Nov. 2, 1954 in Dallas, Ms. Shaw was an interior designer and a member of Highland Park United Methodist Church.
She is survived by Ken Morrison of Dallas; mother Lucile Payne of Dallas; daughter Summer Shaw of Dallas; son Justin Shaw of Dallas; sister Dorel Carter of Houston; brother Paul Payne of Dallas; and cousin, Mary Lou Blaylock of Irving.
Services were held Nov. 19 at Highland Park United Methodist Church, the Rev. Bill Childers officiating. Interment at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Local arrangements by Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home.

Nov. 20, 1997
Barbara Borders Shea

Barbara Borders Shea, 68, of Irving died Wednesday, Jan. 8.

Mrs. Shea was born Feb. 8, 1928. She was a member of St. Luke's Legion of Mary and the Women's Republican Club.

She is survived by her husband, Jack; sons and daughters-in-law Michael and Cindy, Thomas and Debbie, Timothy and Sandy; daughters, Patricia and Linda; daughter and son-in-law, Debbie and Rick; three grandchildren; and one step-grandson.

Services were held Saturday, Jan. 11, St. Luke's Catholic Church in Irving.
Jack Shea

Jack Shea, 69, of Irving died Sunday, July 13, in Irving.

Born Nov. 18, 1927, in Los Angeles, he was a retired from Vought Aircraft and retired from the U.S. Air Force after 25 years of service. He was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara Jean Shea.

Survivors include his daughters, Patricia Anne Shea of Irving, Debbie Shea Coogan of Los Angeles, and Linda Marie Shea of Irving; his sons, Michael J. Shea of Irving, Thomas Patrick Shea of San Antonio, and Timothy Eugene Shea of Farmers Branch; his sister, Maureen Connelly of Valencia, Calif.; and four grandchildren.

Services were conducted Wednesday, July 16, at St. Luke’s Catholic Church with Father Fowler officiating. Burial is in Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Arrangements were coordinated by Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home.

July 17, 1997
Jack Shea

Jack Shea, 69, of Irving died Sunday, July 13, in Irving.

Born Nov. 18, 1927, in Los Angeles, he was a retired from Vought Aircraft and retired from the U.S. Air Force after 25 years of service. He was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara Jean Shea.

Survivors include his daughters, Patricia Anne Shea of Irving, Debbie Shea Coogan of Los Angeles, and Linda Marie Shea of Irving; his sons, Michael J. Shea of Irving, Thomas Patrick Shea of San Antonio, and Timothy Eugene Shea of Farmers Branch; his sister, Maureen Connelly of Valencia, Calif.; and four grandchildren.

Services were conducted Wednesday, July 16, at St. Luke's Catholic Church with Father Fowler officiating. Burial is in Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Arrangements were coordinated by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.

17 July 1997
John Joseph Shea

John Joseph Shea, 64, of Irving died Saturday, Feb. 22.

Mr. Shea was born June 26, 1932 in Detroit, Mich. He was a graduate of De La Salle Collegiate, Detroit Institute of Technology, and Wayne State University Law School.

After serving in the U.S. Army in Korea he began a 40 year career in the aerospace industry. He was active in his community serving as president of his homeowners association, a member of the Texas American Legion, and as Civil Service Commissioner for the city of Irving.

He is survived by his wife, Gwyn of Irving; her children, Bobby of Irving, Brenda of Tyler and Carrie of Irving; daughter, Anne Marie of Wichita Falls; sons, John and Greg of Ann Arbor, Mich., and Michael of Tenafly, N.J.; grandchildren, Callee and Johnathan of Tyler.

Mass was celebrated Monday, Feb. 24 at St. Luke’s Catholic Church with Rev. Doug Deshotel as celebrant and assisted by Dr. Randy Rudisell. Interment followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

The family requests memorials be made to The Irving Cancer Unit Hollywood Premier Night, 1901 North MacArthur Blvd., Irving, TX 75061.

February 27, 1997
Leo Eugene Shetter

Leo Eugene Shetter, 56, of Irving died Saturday, Sept. 6, at his residence following a one-year illness. He was preceded in death by his parents, Willie and Ruby Shetter; brothers Lonnie and Alvin Shetter; sister Willie M. Scott; and stepson Tommy Shetter.

Born in Fort Worth, Texas, Mr. Shetter had been a lifelong resident of the Metroplex area. He was an employee of Smith’s Painting in Irving and previously had worked at LTV in Grand Prairie.

Mr. Shetter is survived by his wife, Shirley Smith Shetter, of Irving; daughter Cassandra Shetter of Dallas; grandson Charles Campbell of Irving; stepsons Reggie, Rodney and Jeff Smith all of Irving; stepdaughter Dorothy Gant of Arlington; brothers and sisters-in-laws Burl and Joyce Shetter of Odessa and Jodie abnd Nell Shetter of Deer Park; former wife Doris Hazel Shetter of California; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives.

Services took place Monday, Sept. 8, at Bean-Massey-Burge Chapel in Grand Prairie. Graveside services followed at Godley Cemetery in Godley with Dr. Ernest Duncan officiating.

Arrangements by Bean-Massey-Burge Funeral Home, Grand Prairie.

Sept. 11, 1997
James Richard Shetter

James Richard "Jim" Shetter of Arlington died Dec. 18. He was 93. Born Aug. 12, 1904 in Mont Eagle, Tenn., Mr. Shetter retired from LTV after 22 years.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Geneva Shetter; daughters Jimmie Bodkins of Arlington, Betty Shetter of Arlington; daughter and son-in-law Barbara and Richard Guinn of Webb; five grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; and two great, great grandchildren.

Services are scheduled for 2 p.m. Dec. 21 at Moore Funeral Home Chapel, Arlington. Interment at Moore Memorial Gardens. The family requests memorials be made to the American Cancer Association.
Leta Mae Shotwell

Leta Mae Shotwell of Irving died Aug. 15. She was 77.

Born Dec. 16, 1919 in Crandall, Mrs. Shotwell was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband Robert Lee Shotwell Sr.; daughters Marcela Allen of Irving, Christene Cayanas of Southlake; sons Robert L. Shotwell Jr. of Mabank, Don Shotwell of Fort Worth, Mike Shotwell of Kilgore; brother Ross Kilgore of Dallas; 19 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

Services were held Aug. 16 at Brown's Memorial Chapel, the Rev. Danny Chappell officiating.

Interment at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Arrangements by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.

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William Carroll Sibley

William Carroll Sibley of Grand Prairie died of natural causes at VA Medical Center, Dallas Nov. 5. He was 64.

Born Jan. 1, 1933 in Dallas, Mr. Sibley retired in 1991 as owner of C.J. Restaurant and Ponderosa Restaurant of Atlanta, Texas. He was previously employed as a manager for Allied Finance in Waco for 17 years. He was a member of the Lions Club and a former single engine pilot.

He is survived by his daughters, Reniece Holbrook of Grand Prairie, Patricia Cardwell of Arlington; son William David Sibley of Arlington; brother Hugh David Sibley of Grand Prairie; sister Patricia Parker of Hilltop Lakes; and four grandchildren.

Services are scheduled for 3 p.m. Nov. 9 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel, the Rev. Jeff Julian officiating. Graveside services are scheduled for 4 p.m. Nov. 11 at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Iwin W. Sirleaf

Iwin W. Sirleaf, 56, of Hurst, died Sunday, April 13. Arrangements with Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home are pending.

April 17, 1997
Iwin W. Sirleaf

Iwin W. Sirleaf, 56, of Hurst, died April 13 at home.

Ms. Sirleaf was born July 2, 1940 in Kakata, Liberia. She was a dietician for 10 years at Prairie View University in Prairie View. Ms. Sirleaf attended St. Francis Episcopal Church in Prairie View.

Ms. Sirleaf is survived by her husband, F. Amadu Sirleaf Sr. of Hurst; daughters, Kanfee Sirleaf of Minneapolis, Minn., Cora Sirleaf Woodson of Hurst, Makula Sirleaf Lee of Las Vegas, Nev.; son, F. Amadu Sirleaf Jr. of Wilmington, N.C.; daughters-in-law, Fatu Sirleaf of Houston, Meletrie Sirleaf of Houston; sisters, Beatrice Harris of Liberia, Oretha Shasha of Liberia, Eudora Shasha of Liberia; and five grandchildren. Services scheduled for 9 a.m. April 26 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel in Irving.

April 20, 1997
Thelma Mae Simons

Thelma Mae Simons of Pasadena died July 30 in that city of cancer. She was 64.

She is survived by her husband Bennie; father E.R. Simons of Lancaster; sons Terry Simons of Irving Larry and Clifton Simons of Pasadena; four brothers; six sisters; eight grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her son Johnny of Gilcrease.

Services are scheduled for 11 a.m. Aug. 4 at Forest Park in Houston.

AUG. 3, 1997
Roy L. Sisk

Roy L. Sisk of Irving died June 5. He was 78.

Born February 14, 1918 in Reno, he was preceded in death by his wife Clara Sisk.

He is survived by his sons Roy Franklin Sisk of Irving, James Alfred Sisk of Irving and Paul Allan Sisk of Irving; sister Ester Dalton of Hawkins; brother Thomas Sisk of Hawkins as well as three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held June 7 at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. John Hutson officiating. Interment was at Rawlins Cemetery in Lancaster. Arrangements by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.

June 8, 1997
Rose Mary Skinner


She was preceded in death by her husband, Calvin B. Skinner; mother, Mary Thibodeaux, and father, P.J.M. Van Dyke.

She is survived by her brothers, Joe Van Dyke of Irving, August Van Dyke of Irving, and Peter Van Dyke of Kountze; daughters, Theresa Skinner Murphy, Christine Skinner Johnson and Susan Skinner Diaz; six grandchildren; and sisters, Dorothy "Dottie" Van Dyke and Johanna Van Dyke Drury.


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L.C. Slimp, Jr.

L.C. Slimp, Jr., 76, of Irving, died Thursday, March 20.

Mr. Slimp was born Feb. 9, 1921, in Rome. He worked as a teacher and was a member of Irving North Christian Church and 32 Mason.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann Curington Slimp; daughters and son-in-law, Mary Ann Slimp of Dallas, Susan and Ray Lawrence of Irving, Jeanne and Michael Kaster of Corsicana and Ellen and Michael Yancy of Dallas; sister, Frances Southall of Fort Worth; grandchildren, Amanda and Tim Lawrence; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services were held Saturday, March 22, at Irving North Christian Church with Rev. John Burton officiating. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

March 23, 1997
Era B. Smith

Era B. Smith, 98, of Euless died Thursday, Jan. 16.

Mrs. Smith was born Aug. 4, 1898, in Olny, Ky. She was a retired factory assembler.

She is survived by her son, James Smith of Burbank, Ill.; grandchildren, Jacqueline Klingbeil of Euless, John Butler Rich of Mesquite, Phyllis Des remaux of Chicago, Jimmy Smith of Michigan, Carol Trevino of Sauk Village, Ill., Patricia VanDoren of Naperville, Ill., Ronnie VanDoren of Elmwood Park, Ill.; 29 great-grandchildren; and 20 great-great-grandchildren.

Services were held Monday, Jan. 20, Donnelly’s Colonial Chapel with Rev. Tim Hall officiating. Interment followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Jan. 23, 1997
Fronia Smith

Fronia Smith died in Irving March 27. She was 77.

Born Sept. 20, 1919 in Alva, Okla., Mrs. Smith is survived by her son Billy Doyle Smith of Irving; granddaughter Janie Smith, sisters Beulah Davis of Irving and Dorothy Jean Holland of Athen's Ga.; brothers William Morgan of Hawkins and Robert Morgan.

Services were held March 29 at Chism and Smith Funeral Home Chapel. Interment followed at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Dallas.

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1997
Martha Ann Smith

Martha Ann Smith, 64, of Irving died Tuesday, Jan. 7.

Mrs. Smith was born Jan. 4, 1933, in Poteau, Okla. He was self-employed.

He is survived by his daughter, Susan Rhyne of Irving; sons, Buddy Swan of Germany, Bob Trammell of Frisco, Ronnie Smith of Denton; stepson, Larry Gene Smith; brother, Thomas Harold Smith of Stockton, Calif.; stepsister, Sylvia Lagaly of Grapevine; 11 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.
Martha Ann Smith

Martha Ann Smith, 64, of Irving died Tuesday, Jan. 7.

Mrs. Smith was born Jan. 4, 1933, in Poteau, Okla. She was self employed.

She is survived by a daughter, Susan Rhyne of Irving; sons, Buddy Swan of Germany, Bob Trammell of Frisco, Ronnie Smith of Denton; stepson, Larry Gene Smith; brother, Thomas Harold Smith of Stockton, Calif.; stepsister, Sylvia Lagaly of Grapevine; 11 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

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**Velma Lorene Smith**

Velma "Micki" Lorene Smith died at Irving Hospital Aug. 2. She was 63.

Born in Champagne, Ill. Sept. 7, 1933, Mrs. Smith is survived by daughters Melinda "Jody" Davis of Irving, Jami Pena of San Diego, Calif.; son Steven Cole of El Cajon, Calif.; five brothers; five sisters; six grandchildren; and four great grandchildren.

Services were held Aug. 5 at Chism and Smith Funeral Home.

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V.R. Sorflaten

V.R. "John" Sorflaten of Irving died Oct. 30 of natural causes in a Rockwall nursing home. He was 76.

Born in Adams, Minn. March 29, 1921, Mr. Sorflaten retired in 1978 after more than 35 years as a mechanic for Braniff Airlines in Dallas. He was a member of the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Irving, a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, a Mason in Minneapolis, and a member of Irving Senior Citizens.

He is survived by his wife, Joan Sorflaten; daughter Heidi Stewart of McLean, Va.; sons Chris Sorflaten of Irving, Todd Sorflaten of Dallas; sister Helen Tischer of Chicago, Ill.; brother Orville Sorflaten of Church Hill, Md.; and three grandchildren. Mr. Sorflaten was preceded in death by his daughter, Sjana Maree Sorflaten in 1979.

The family will receive friends today at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home, 606 W. Airport Freeway, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Services are scheduled for 1 p.m. Nov. 3 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, the Rev. Dawn Hansen officiating. Interment at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. The family requests memorials be made to the Disabled American Veterans (D.A.V.)

Nov. 2, 1997
Elton Sorrells

Elton Sorrells, 86, of Irving, died Saturday, April 12.

Mr. Sorrells was born Oct. 18, 1911 in Scurry. He was a dispatcher for Core Labs, and served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He is survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

A double-funeral was held Monday, April 14 for he and his wife, Ruthie Mae Sorrells, at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home. Rev. Charles Osborn officiated. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

April 17, 1997
Ruthie Mae Sorrells
Ruthie Mae Sorrells of Irving died April 10 in Irving at age 82.
Ms. Sorrells was born on April 22, 1914 in Hutchins. She was an upholsterer for the Kroehler Co.
Ms. Sorrells is survived by her husband, Elton R. Sorrells, of Irving; sister, Leona Russell, of Kaufman; and numerous nieces and nephews.
Funeral services were held Saturday at Brown’s Memorial Chapel in Irving, with internment held at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens in Irving. Rev. Charles Osborne officiated.

13, April 1997
Ruthie Mae Sorrells

Ruthie Mae Sorrells, 82, of Irving, died Thursday, April 10.
Ms. Sorrells was born April 22, 1914 in Hutchins. She was an upholsterer for the Kroehler Co.
Survivors include her sister, Leona Russell of Kaufman; and numerous nieces and nephews.
A double-funeral was held Monday, April 14 for she and her husband, Elton Sorrells, at Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home. Rev. Charles Osborn officiated. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

April 17, 1997
Etta Spain

Etta Spain of Irving died July 29 at her home. She was 87.

Born Sept. 29, 1909 in Windsor, Mo., Mrs. Spain was a widowed member of the First Baptist Church in Irving. She was also a member of Singles Canasta Club, the 20th Century Book Club, NARFE and AARP. Mrs. Spain retired in 1974 after more than 26 years as a stenographer and clerk for the U.S. Navy in Washington, D.C. and Dallas.

She is survived by brothers Harold B. Smart of Waxahachie, Stanlee S. Smart of Houston; two nieces, including Virginia Canterbury of Irving; seven nephews, including C.T. Aly, Jr. of Irving; and several great nieces and nephews.

Services were held Aug. 1 at Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home Chapel, Dr. Randy Rudisell officiating. Interment at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. The family requests memorials be made to the American Heart Association, 1615 Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, 75207.

Aug. 3, 1997
Pearl Elizabeth Spann

Pearl Elizabeth Spann, 78, of Irving, died Thursday, Feb. 13.

Ms. Spann was born June 1, 1918 in Clayton, New Mexico. She was a teacher’s aide, and a lifelong member of First Baptist Church of Irving.

Survivors include her sons, Rick Spann of Irving, and David Spann of Euless; brother, Tony C. Patterson of Stamford; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 17 at First Baptist Church. Dr. Randy Rudisell will officiate. Burial will follow at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

If desired, donations can be made to First Baptist Church, 403 South Main Street, Irving, TX 75060. Local arrangements are

Feb. 16, 1997
Oscar H. Spann, Jr.

Oscar H. Spann, Jr. of Irving died July 20 in Fort Worth. He was 69.

Born July 25, 1927 in Mundy, Mr. Spann had retired from the U.S. Gypsum Corp. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Irving and a former member of the Irving Parks and Recreation Board.

Mr. Spann is survived by his wife Louise Spann of Irving; daughters and sons-in-law Cindy and Roger Copeland of Garland, Charman and Jay Foster of Arlington, Camee and Lafayette Bruner of Arlington and Angela and Bob Gorton of Denton; sisters and brothers-in-law Bera Faye and Bobby Boyd of Hereford and Janie and Con Link of Brownfield; brother and sister-in-law George and Patsy Spann of Ennis as well as nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held July 23 at the First United Methodist Church in Irving with the Revs. Mike Walker and Phil Mercer officiating. Interment at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church Vision 2000 Building Fund or Organ Fund. Arrangements by Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home.
Ruby Dale Spelling

Ruby Dale Spelling of Irving died of natural causes Sept. 26 in Arlington. She was 86.

Born in Ellsworth, Ark. Aug. 16, 1911, Mrs. Spelling is survived by sons Lawrence Spelling of Irving, Ron Spelling of Katy; daughter Florence Hawkins of Oklahoma City; brother Junior Raper of Scranton, Ark.; sister Melvina Butler of Fresno, Calif.; seven grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her stepfather J.H. Raper and brothers Jim, Morris and Claud Turner.

Services were held Sept. 29 at Roller Funeral Home Chapel, Paris, Ark. Interment at McKandree Cemetery, Subiaco, Ark.
Teresa Stagner

Teresa Stagner, 37, of Irving died Sunday, Sept. 28, in an Arlington hospital.

Born in Burnet, she had been a resident of Irving since 1985 and taught special education for the past 8 years at Hutchison Junior High School in Arlington. She also was a member of the Church of Christ. She was preceded in death by her brother, Billy Alan DeSpain.

Survivors include her husband, Rick Stagner of Irving; her son, Dustin Stagner of Irving; her parents, Billy and Betty DeSpain of Marble Falls; her sisters, Deborah Lynn DeSpain of Marble Falls and Sheila Joanne Ischy of Georgetown; her mother-in-law, Evis Stagner of Grand Prairie; her sister-in-law, Gayla Sowell of Grand Prairie; four nieces; and four nephews.

Services were conducted at 5 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30, at Bean-Massey-Burge Chapel. Additional services were conducted Wednesday, Oct. 1, at Marble Falls Church of Christ in Marble Falls. Burial is in Smithwick Cemetery near Marble Falls.

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Gary Lynn Standridge

Gary Lynn Standridge, 50, died Friday, April 4.

Born Oct. 25, 1946, in Dallas, he was a member of Faith Temple Baptist Church in Irving.

Survivors include his father, Isaac Standridge; his son, Louis Standridge of Irving; his brother, Donald Standridge of Grand Saline; and his sister, Wanda Collins of Grand Saline.

Graveside services were held Tuesday, April 8, at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Arrangements were directed by Chism-Smith Funeral Home.

10, April
1997
Thomas Vest Statler

Thomas Vest Statler of Irving died Aug. 7. He was 81.

Born in Sedgewickville, Mo., July 25, 1916, Mr. Statler was a communication engineer for Motorola. A ham radio operator at age 13, Mr. Statler was a Knights Templar Mason for 55 years, a member of Saint Marks Lodge, Cape Giradeau, Ms., a U.S. Navy veteran of WWII with service in the South Pacific, a 15-year member of Boy Scouts of America, a member of the National Rifle Association an Elder at First Presbyterian Church in Irving and a Sunday school teacher in Carmi, Ill.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Estele D. Statler; daughters and sons-in-law Rebecca and Clark Armstrong of Irving, Jane Ellen and Chappell Wilson of Cadiz, Ky.; sons and daughters-in-law Kent and Marilyn Statler of Carrollton, Kirk and Jayne Statler of Grapevine; brother and sister-in-law Mark and Lou Statler of Cleveland, Oh.; and nine grandchildren.

Services were held Aug. 9 at St. Stephens Presbyterian Church, Steve Wilde officiating. Arrangements by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.

Aug. 14, 1997
**Victor S. Stevens**

Victor S. Stevens, 50, previously of Irving, died Sunday, July 6.

Mr. Stevens was born May 7, 1947 in Hartford, Conn. He was the owner of Visual Design in Cedar Hill for 20 years. He was also a member of Calvary Temple.

He is survived by his wife, Carmen Stevens of Cedar Hill; daughters, Christi Anne Stephens and Renee Rexann Stevens of Cedar Hill; brother, Joseph Stevens of San Antonio; and sister, Lillie Thrasher of Pearland.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at Donnelly's Colonial Chapel with the Rev. J. Don George and Dennis Brewer officiating. Burial was at Rosemound Cemetery in Commerce.

Family requests memorials be sent to Visiting Nurses Association at 1440 W. Mockingbird, Dallas.

*July 10, 1997*
Mamie Louise Stevenson

Mamie Louise Stevenson, 90, of Gladewater, died Tuesday, April 15.

Ms. Stevenson was born Oct. 23, 1906 in Big Sandy. She lived in Gladewater for 54 years, after moving from Conroe. She was formerly the co-owner of the Tot Shop in Gladewater. She was a member of First Baptist Church, Gladewater and was a Sunday School Teacher in the Children's Department for many years.

Survivors include her son, Charles Stevenson and his wife Raleigh Mae, of Irving; and grandchildren, Gary Stevenson of Irving, Amy Stevenson of Irving; Susan House and her husband Paul, of Conroe.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Turner Stevenson, in 1993.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, April 17 at First Baptist Church, Gladewater. Burial will follow at Gladewater Memorial Park.

Funeral arrangements are being made with Stone-Goodwin Funeral Home.

April 17, 1997
Raymond Stevenson

Raymond "Steve" Stevenson of Irving died Nov. 29 of natural causes at Trinity Medical Center in Lewisville. He was 69.

Born Sept. 10, 1928 in Dallas, Mr. Stevenson had lived in Irving since 1953 but had also spent a good deal of time in Emory during the last several years. He retired in 1985 after 27 years as a truck driver for Transcon Lines and attended the Elmwood Methodist Church in Dallas. Mr. Stevenson was a veteran of both the U.S. Army and Marine Corps, with service in the Korean war.

He is survived by his wife, Gladys Stevenson of Irving; daughter Barbara Prater of Irving; son Robert Stevenson of Irving; sister Dorris Nichols of Carrollton; and grandchildren Lori and Justin Prater and Kelli and Kristi Stevenson, all of Irving.

Services were held Dec. 1 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel, the Rev. Charles York officiating. Interment at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Leona Stewart

Leona Stewart, 86, of Irving died Wednesday, Jan. 8.

Mrs. Stewart was born Sept. 9, 1910, in Lockhart. She was a freelance artist.

She is survived by her sisters, Enda S. Burns of Irving, Helen F. Wheat of Irving, and Mildred Marquette of Alburquerque, N.M.; brother, Gus Seeliger of Irving.

Services were held Friday, Jan. 10, Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Alice P. Stredwick

Alice P. Stredwick of Grand Prairie died Dec. 19 at Irving Hospital of natural causes. She was 40.

Born February 14, 1957, Mrs. Stredwick was a homemaker and a former resident of Irving.

She is survived by her husband, Dave Stredwick of Grand Prairie; sons Allen and Justin Stredwick, both of Grand Prairie; sisters and brothers-in-law Donyce and Homer Cuellar of Alvarado, Glenda and Terry LeMoine of North Carolina; and brother and sister-in-law Bobby and Roberta Pope of Arkansas.

Services were held Dec. 22 at Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home Chapel, the Rev. Jeffrey Julian officiating.
Dolly Ann Strong

Dolly Ann Strong, 54, of Irving died Sunday, Feb. 16.

Mrs. Strong was born March 16, 1942 in Nashville, Tenn. She had been a waitress at Joe's Coffee Shop for the last eight years.

She is survived by her husband, Harry Strong of Irving; four sisters; and three brothers.

Memorial services are scheduled to be held in Alabama.

Please make memorial donations to the Cancer Society.

Feb. 23, 1997
Alfred Ralph Sturchio

Alfred Ralph Sturchio, 75, was found dead Sunday, Feb. 2, at his home in Gordonville.

Mr. Sturchio was born Dec. 9, 1921 in Allegheny County, Pa. He was a retired aircraft engineer and a member of the Masonic Lodge No. 112. He was also a Red Cross Volunteer from 1959 to 1964 as a swimming instructor.

He is survived by his sons, Robert Floyd Ice of Irving, David Parker Watts of Sperry, Okla., Phillip Sturchio of Clearwater, Kan., Bobby Sturchio of Clearwater, Kan., and Kerry Sturchio of Haysville, Kan.; daughters, Sharon Maybee of Sperry, Okla., Donna Ward of Cleveland, Okla., Glenda Holcomb of Sperry, Okla., Patricia Brown of Anthony, Kan., Debbie Bayliff of Arlington, and Debbie Myers of Claysville, Pa.; sisters, Gladys Means of Escondido, Calif., and Irene Parker of Pensacola, Fla.; 21 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. today at Gordonville Cemetery in Gordonville with Ken Beard officiating.

Feb. 6, 1997
Providencia N. Suarez

Providencia N. Suarex of Irving died in a local nursing home July 2. She was 84.

Born March 10, 1913 in San Juan, Puerto Rico, Mrs. Suarez was widowed former hospital secretary of the Catholic faith.

Mrs. Suarez is survived by sons Luis E. Suarez of Irving, Carlos Suarez of San Antonio, Jose Suarez of San Juan, Enrique Suarez of Michigan, Jorge Suarez of Houston; daughter Carmen Linares of San Antonio; brothers John Navas of Florida, Manuel Navas of New York, Henry Navas of California; sisters Luisa Navas of Orlando, Fla., Laura Navas of Spain; 24 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

No formal services are planned. Local arrangements by Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home.

July 6, 1997
William Clyde Surles

William Clyde Surles of Irving died Nov. 19. He was 88.

Born Sept. 11, 1909 in Oklahoma, Mr. Surles was a truck
driver and rate clerk. He was a member of Plymouth Park Baptist
Church.

Mr. Surles is survived by his
wife, Hollis Surles; daughters
Phyllis Day of Dallas, Betty
Simmons of Seven Points; son
Robert Surles of New York; brother
Homer Surles of Florida; eight
grandchildren and 11 great grand-
children.

Services were held Nov. 22 at
Plymouth Park Baptist Church, the
Revs. Ken Branam and Bo Baker
officiating. Interment at Oak Grove
Memorial Gardens. The family
requests memorials be made to
Baptist Benevolence Ministry, 114
E. Second St., Irving, 75060.
Arrangements by Brown's
Memorial Funeral Home.
Paul Eber Swyden of Bedford died June 8 at a nursing home in that city, he was 89. Born Aug. 3, 1907 in Merriam, Lebanon, Mo. Mr. Swyden was a self-employed builder and member of the Harbor Chapel Methodist Church in Osage Beach, Mo. He is survived by daughters Rene Dempscy of Irving, Laurence Pauline Backer of Fort Worth, son Floyd Swyden of Corpus Christ, six grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.