Paul Richard Bachran


Born Feb. 4, 1921, in Buffalo, N.Y., he was a retired major for the U.S. Air Force who served in World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. He also was the owner of Approved First Aid and had been a resident of Irving since 1966.

Survivors include his wife, Wilma. Bachran of Irving; his daughter, Cheryl Wilson of Irving; his sons, Richard P. Bachran of Taylor, Mich., Lt. Col. Lance Bachran of Abilene, and Terry Bachran of Princeton; his sister, Betty Irene Bachran of Dallas; 13 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted May 25 at Chism-Smith Funeral Home Chapel.
Leo Baggett

Leo Baggett of Irving died Nov. 27. He was 78.

Born April 9, 1920, in Amarillo, he was an accountant and retired military officer, having served as a captain in the U.S. Army. He was a member of Hyde Park Baptist Church in Austin, Woodmen of the World and Retired Officers Association. He was preceded in death by his wife, Doris Jessup Baggett.

He is survived by his sister, Evelyn Venable of Irving; nieces, Arthrene McGinnis of Dallas and Darlene Allen of Coppell; and nephew, Ronald Venable of Red Oak.

A graveside service was conducted Dec. 2 at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery in San Antonio. Arrangements were made by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.

Family requests memorials be made to Texas Baptist Children's Home, P. O. Box 7, Round Rock, TX 78680-9988.
Bryan E. Baker

Bryan E. Baker of Irving died April 13. He was 79.

Baker retired from the US Airforce after 25 years of service and was a member of Woodhaven Presbyterian Church in Irving.


Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. April 16 at Ebenezer Cemetery in Gonzales.

Arrangements by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.
Calvin Duff Baker

Calvin Duff Baker of Irving died Aug. 15 in an Irving nursing home. He was 70.

Born Sept. 27, 1927, in Fort Worth, the son of James Scott and Hattie (Cross) Baker, he retired in 1988 after 38 years with General Motors of Fort Worth. He was also a veteran of the U.S. Navy and World War II.

He married Billie Nickens Nov. 8, 1948, in Dallas. She survives.

He is also survived by sons, Scott Baker and his wife, Vicki of Flower Mound, and Kevin and his wife, JoAnna of Columbus, Ohio; brothers, James Baker and his wife, Irene of Mission Hills, Cali., and Bryan Baker and his wife, Marilyn of Jackson, Miss.; sister, Joyce Felton and her husband, Fred of Kerrville; and grandchildren, Jessica Ward Baker, Scott Richard Baker, and Rachel Ann Baker.

Services were held Aug. 17 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Jimmy Hutton officiating. Burial followed at Moore Memorial Gardens in Arlington.
Roberta Lee Baker

Roberta Lee Baker died March 10 in Forney. She was 70.

Born July 2, 1927 in Eureka Springs, Ark., Baker was a retired employee of Foley's in Town East Mall and attended Peace Tabernacle in Mesquite.

She is survived by her husband, Richard Baker of Forney, two daughters, Delora Meyers of Sierra Vista, Ariz., and Ladonna Bennett of Irving; three brothers, George Lake of Sapulpa, Okla., Herschel Lake of El Reno, Okla., Roy Lake of Tulsa, Okla.; three sisters, Elva Long of Little Rock, Ark., Rita Sherman of Raytown, Mo., and Betty Quick of Tiptown, Mo; four grandsons; two granddaughters; and one great-granddaughter.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. March 14 at Restland memorial Chapel. Burial followed at Restland Memorial Park.
James Bannister

James "Donn" Bannister of Alvarado died Aug. 8. He was 64. He was born March 8, 1934 in Cumby.

Survivors include his wife, Sue Bannister of Alvarado; mother, Bama Brewton of Irving; daughter and son-in-law, Nella Sue and Tim Wardlaw of Lake Forest, Calif.; sister, Nell Bannister of Seagoville; and grandchildren, Jay Don Rogers, Erin Leigh and Carly Ann Bannister.

Services were conducted Aug. 12 at Brown's Memorial Chapel. Burial followed at Glenwood Cemetery in Alvarado. Family requests memorials be made to Baylor Medical Center Cancer or Transplant Center in Dallas.
Margaret Arnold Barnes

Margaret Arnold Barnes, 82, of Pensacola, Fla., died Dec. 6 at a local hospital.

Born July 5, 1916, in Repton, Ala., she was a member of Warrington United Methodist Church and served for many years as a Red Cross volunteer at the U.S. Naval Hospital. She was preceded in death by her husband, Capt. Jess W. Barnes, USN, Ret.

Carolyn Barnes Chandler of Irving, and Susan Gail Barnes of Tallahassee, Fla.; her son, Kevin Edward Barnes of Lake Mary, Fla.; her sisters, Emily A. Bell of Pensacola, Fla., and Betty A. Lyon; her brother, William F. Arnold of Fort Walton Beach, Fla.; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

A private graveside service was conducted at Barrancas National Cemetery. Memorial services were conducted Wednesday at Warrington United Methodist Church with the Rev. Jim Belcher officiating. Memorials may be made to Warrington United Methodist Church.
Margaret Arnold Barnes

Margaret Arnold Barnes, 82, of Pensacola, Fla., died Dec. 6 at a local hospital.

Born July 5, 1916, in Repton, Ala., she was a member of Warrington United Methodist Church and served for many years as a Red Cross volunteer at the U.S. Naval Hospital. She was preceded in death by her husband, Capt. Jess W. Barnes, USN, Ret.

Survivors include her daughters, Carolyn Barnes Chamberlain of Irving, and Susan Gail Barnes of Tallahassee, Fla.; her son, Kevin Edward Barnes of Lake Mary, Fla.; her sisters, Emily A. Bell of Pensacola, Fla., and Betty A. Lyon; her brother, William F. Arnold of Fort Walton Beach, Fla.; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

A private graveside service was conducted at Barrancas National Cemetery. Memorial services were conducted Wednesday at Warrington United Methodist Church with the Rev. Jim Belcher officiating. Memorials may be made to the Warrington United Methodist Church.
Pauline Barnett

Pauline Barnett of Lewisville died Dec. 27 at Columbia Medical Center in that city. She was 82.

Born Jan. 6, 1915 in Decatur, Mrs. Barnett was former longtime resident of Irving.

She is survived by her daughters, Carla Chaney of Tyler, Patsy Ann Boatner of Solon, Ohio; son Burl Don Weems of Garland; sister Maxine Anderson of San Juan Capistrano, Calif.; brothers Bill McEntire of Stanton, Ky., Robert McEntire of Comanche, Okla., Charles McEntire of Shawnee, Okla.; 12 grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren. Mrs. Barnett was preceded in death by her husband, Marvin Barnett.

Services were held Dec. 28, 1997 at Old Hall Cemetery, Lewisville, Dr. Stephen G. Hatfield officiating. Arrangements by Mulkey-Mason Funeral Home, Lewisville.
Alfred Turner Barton III

Alfred Turner Barton III of Irving died April 11. He was 89.

Born Sept. 26, 1908 in Corpus Christi, Barton was the owner of a Buick dealership in Brady for 29 years and was a member of First United Methodist Church in Brady.

He is survived by his wife, Sue Barton of Irving; daughter, Leska Valerius of Irving; grandchildren, Lee Valerius of Irving, Lynn and Brad Imler of Irving, Sharon Valerius of Irving, Dale and Sandra Destefano of Corpus Christi, and Dawn Destefano of Austin; and great-grandchildren, Christine Destefano, Jessica Destefano, and Laura Destefano, all of Corpus Christi.

Funeral services were held April 13 at Cook-Walden/Capitol Parks Cemetery in Austin with the Rev. Paul Stephens officiating. The family requests memorials to Gideons International (Irving/Coppell Camp), P.O. Box 170395, Irving, Tx. 75017-0395.

Arrangements by Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home.
Roy Kent Barton

Roy Kent Barton of Dallas died May 2 in Nikiski, Alaska. He was 51.

Born Feb. 9, 1947, in Dallas, he was preceded in death by his father, Roy Griffin Barton; and step-father, Hub Allen.

He is survived by his wife of 30 years, Cindy Barton of Nikiski; sons, Kent Barton of Denver, and Jason Barton of Irving; grandchildren, Tyler, Hanah, and Justyn Barton; mother, Eloise Allen of Huntsville; brothers, Mike Barton of Angleton, and Bill Barton of Victoria; sisters, Sandra Smith of Huntsville, and Linda Foster of Lewisville.

Graveside services were held May 8 at Restland Memorial Park in Dallas.
Johnie L. Batchelor

Johnie L. Batchelor, a 33-year resident of Irving, died Oct. 7 at an Irving nursing home. He was 65.

Born Jan. 17, 1933, in Anderson County, the son of Wilmer and Susie (Bell) Cooper, he was a barber for 10 years at Lovers Lane Barber Shop in Dallas. He was also a member of the Lakeview Tabernacle in Tyler, served in the Air Force, and was a member of the Buzzard Bowling Club and the American Legion Post 218.


He is survived by his wife; sons, Rev. Leon Batchelor of Tyler, and James "Jimmy" Batchelor of Neches; daughters, Vickie Barrett of Bullard, Linda Kester of Emory, and Sandra Pierce of Irving; mother; brothers, W.O. Batchelor of Goldwaite, and J.W. Batchelor of Scurry; sister, Mary Gatwood of Palestine; 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Services were held Oct. 9 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Charles Grasty officiating. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens in Irving.

Family requests memorials to the American Cancer Society.
George Donald Baxter

George Donald "Donny"

Baxter, 59, of Irving died April 17 in Irving.

Born Jan. 4, 1939, in Hot Springs, Ark., he was a TV technician and a member of the American Legion.

Survivors include his mother, Lorene Ingram of Irving; his sisters, Mary Tiner and Linda Bryant, both of Longview; his brother, Robert Ingham of Broken Arrow; and one grandchild.

Services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Monday, April 20, in Brown's Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Carl Robbins officiating. Interment will be in Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Virgie Naomi Thomas Baxter

Virgie Naomi Thomas Baxter of Irving died Oct. 22. She was 79.

Born Jan. 11, 1919, in Denton, she was an active member of the Women’s Auxiliary of Veterans of Foreign Wars, Rebecca Lodge No. 12, and the American Legion Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Mitchell Baxter; sons, Clyde Brown and James Baxter.

She is survived by son, Archie W. Richardson of Southlake; daughter, Wanda Champenois of Irving; eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Services were scheduled for Oct. 24 at Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

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Mark S. Baynham

Mark S. Baynham of Irving died Oct. 24 at a Dallas hospital. He was 44.

Born Aug. 6, 1954, in Dallas, the son of James C. and Frances (Ferguson) Baynham, he was a dispatcher for Rex Webb Brick Sales in Dallas for five years. He was also a member of the Holy Family of Nazareth Catholic Church in Irving. He was a Cub Master for Pack 773 at Holy Family, the registered leader of Pack 773, and on the Parish Advisory Council at Holy Family.

He married Marcia Smith Feb. 14, 1984, in Dallas.

He is survived by his wife; sons, Brian Thornton of Carrollton, Stephen Baynham of Irving, Jeffrey Baynham of Irving, Michael Baynham of Irving; brothers, Don Baynham of Garland, David Baynham of Garland, and Pat Baynham of New Orleans; sisters, Kathy Canning of Dallas and Peggy Youngblood of Burleson; brothers, John Baynham of Berkley, Cali., and Tim Baynham of Winston Salem, N.C.; and father.

Services were held Oct. 26 at Holy Family of Nazareth Catholic Church with the Rev. Jerome Duesman officiating. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Family requests memorials to the Boy Scouts of America, Circle Ten Council.
Clyde Beauford

Clyde Beauford, a lifetime Irving resident, died Nov. 11.

He was born to pioneer Irving settlers, Henry and Marie Beauford on Feb. 28, 1929.

He was a member of St. Lukes Catholic Church and a member of the National Rifle Association.

He served his country as a sergeant in the Korean War from 1949 to 1952.

Survived by his wife of 40 years, Mary Beauford of Irving; daughter, Laura Winn of Irving; stepsons, David Hill and Martin Hill, both of Irving; and grandchild, Ryan Hill.

Services were held Nov. 14 at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed at Old Kit Cemetery in Irving.
Edward Arthur Belanger


Born Feb. 10, 1920, in Cheboygan, Mich., he was active in Irving Police Reserves, Girls softball, and the New Hearts and Lungs Association. He served in many roles of leadership at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church and served on the church council at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church before moving to Port Aransas.

He served in World War II in the 29th Infantry Division. He participated in the battle of Normandy and the Rhineland. He was wounded in the Battle of Normandy and was awarded EAME Theater ribbon and two Bronze Stars, a Purple Heart with a Bronze Star, a WWII Victory Medal and a Good Conduct Medal.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters; and his first wife, Elanor.

He is survived by his wife, Marie; children, Pam Hinkel (Lynn), Roxanne Salinas (Jimmie), and Deborah Hankins (Elton); step children, Pete Hermes (Linda), Penny Amyx, Tricia Freeman, Pam Terrones (Ken), 13 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren; sisters, Florence Walters of Punte Gorde, Fla., and Luella Campbell of Battle Creek, Mich.

Private family services were held in Irving. Visitation will be held from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 5 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home in Irving. Services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 6, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Irving.

Family requests memorials to the Trinity By The Sea Episcopal Building Fund, P.O. Box 346, Port Aransas, TX 78373.
Cora Bennett of Ennis died Dec. 27. She was 83.

Born in Canton April 3, 1914, Mrs. Bennett was a homemaker and a member of the Fourth Avenue Baptist Church in Dallas.

She is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law, Ann and Don Hall Hof Corsicana, Yvonne and Chuck Brazier of Ennis; sons and daughters-in-law Basiel and Carolyn Bennett of Ben Wheeler, Gerald and Violet Bennett of Irving, Stanley and Jackie Bennett of Dallas, Cecil and Marsha Bennett of Ben Wheeler; 18 grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren.

Services were held Dec. 30, 1997 at Lawrence Funeral Home, Ennis. The Rev. Irvan Anthony officiated. Interment at Myrtle Cemetery, Ennis.
Kathleen Haile Bernal

Kathleen Haile Bernal of Irving died Sept. 30 at her home. She was 47.

Born Dec. 29, 1950, in Amarillo, the daughter of Jack W. Haile and Ione (Fortney) Haile, she was a homemaker.

She married Ricardo Bernal in July 1989, in Dallas.

She is survived by her husband; daughters, Sarah Bernal of Irving, Kelly Collinas of Irving, and Karen Collins of Weatherford; grandchildren, Richard Esquivel of Irving, Monica McKnight of Weatherford, and Erica McKnight of Weatherford.

Services were held Oct. 3 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.
**Katherine S. Berry**

Katherine S. Berry of Altamonte Springs, Fla., died May 20.

She was a retired Irving school teacher after teaching for 34 years. She was a member of the First Christian Church in Irving and a member of the Order of Eastern Star.

She is survived by daughter, Betty Lou Berry of Altamonte Springs; sister, Vera Thompson of Donna; grandson, Dwight Berry of Parker, Colo., great-grandchildren, Kayla Danielle Berry and Allyson Katherine Berry.

Services were held May 25 at First Christian Church in Irving. Burial was at Restland Memorial Park in Dallas.
Elizabeh Black

Irving man suspected in shooting death of Farmers Branch woman

Special to the News

Farmers Branch police officials are searching for a 28-year-old Irving man in connection with the Jan. 29 shooting death of a Farmers Branch woman.

A capital murder warrant for Charles Don Flores was issued at 1 p.m. Feb. 5, a statement from police officials said.

Flores is the second suspect in the death of Elizabeth Black, 64, who was found dead by her husband when he returned home from work at 7 a.m. Jan. 29.

Another suspect, Richard Lynn Childs, 28, of Dallas is being held in the Farmers Branch jail on capital murder charges.

According to a statement by police, witnesses reported seeing a multicolored Volkswagen occupied by two males in the area prior to the shooting.

Following that lead, police were able to identify Childs as a suspect and arrested him on unrelated charges Jan. 31.

Investigators identified Flores as the second suspect in the shooting on Wednesday.

Police describe Flores as being armed and dangerous. He is a Hispanic male about 6 feet tall, 260-270 pounds with short, dark hair and glasses.

Police said they believe the incident was not a random act and the Blacks were targeted by suspects.

The Volkswagen wanted by police was found burning on Interstate 30 at Northwest 19th Street in Grand Prairie last weekend.

Anyone with information about this case can call (972) 484-3620.
Local

Murder suspect caught after fleeing accident scene

By STEPHEN TERRY
News Staff Writer

Local authorities arrested a capital murder suspect Friday after he tried to flee the scene of an accident Friday in south Irving.

FBI Agent Marjorie Poche said Charles Don Flores, 28, of Irving was arrested about 2 p.m. in the area of 1400 90th Boulevard following an automobile accident.

"When he had the accident, he jumped out of the car and ran," Poche said. "He was taken to Parkland (Memorial Hospital in Dallas), and, from there, he will go to Lew Sterrett (Justice Center in Dallas)."

Flores was the second suspect in the death of Farmers Branch resident Elizabeth Black, 64, who was found dead by her husband when he returned home from work Jan. 29.

According to a statement by police, witnesses reported seeing a multicolored Volkswagen occupied by two males in the area prior to the shooting in January.

Soon after the incident, the Volkswagen wanted by police was found burning on Interstate 30 at Northwest 19th Street in Grand Prairie.

"Following that lead, police were able to identify Richard Lynn Childs, 28, of Dallas as a suspect and arrested him on unrelated charges Jan. 31. Investigators later identified Flores as the second suspect in the shooting.

"He is wanted on a capital murder charge and (is wanted) federally on unlawful flight of prosecution," Poche said Friday.
Donald Ray Blackney

Donald Ray Blackney, a 1991 graduate of Irving High School, died recently.
Born April 4, 1972, in Orlando, Fla., Blackney was a senior airman and had been a member of the Air Force Honor Guard in Washington D.C. He returned from temporary duty in Saudi Arabia in March 1998 and was stationed at Vandenberg Air Force Base at the time of his death.

He is survived by his wife, Beth Blackney; daughter, Isabella Blackney of Ben, Ore.; Mother, Jonnie Ashford of Lewisville; father, Jim Blackney of Arlington; step parents, Sandra Blackney of Arlington, Ron Taylor of Irving and Corkey Ashford of Lewisville; four brothers, Toby Blackney, Zach Taylor and Jon Taylor of Lewisville and Sean Taylor of Oklahoma City; two sisters, Allison Blackney of Arlington and Jennifer Taylor of Oklahoma City.
Corine Blair

Corine Blair, 80, died Thursday, Dec. 24. Born Feb. 9, 1918, in Columbus, Ga., she was a seamstress. She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry Clay Blair.

Survivors include her children, Bill Blair of Carrollton, Don Lovelace of Euless, Bobby Lovelace of Lewisville and Kenneth Blair of Lubbock; sisters, Esther Smith of Atlanta, Ga., and Gladys Pacellini of Massachusetts; 15 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were Monday, Dec. 28, at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens with Charley Alexander officiating.

Arrangements were coordinated by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.
J. H. Bland

J. H. "Red" Bland of Irving died June 4. He was 84.

He was born Feb. 7, 1914, in Haskell.

He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, L. Carole and Alva L. "Buck" Graves of Rowlett, grandchildren, Terrie Huffman and husband, John of Rowlett and Tracie Briggs of husband, Kevin of Rowlett.; and three great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Hazel.

Services were held Saturday, June 6 at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel and burial at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Cliff Feeler officiating. The family requests donations to the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association.
Maydell Ramsey Blanton

Maydell Ramsey Blanton of Irving died May 21 at home. She was 67.

Born Oct. 26, 1930, in Itasca, the daughter of Wedell McKinley and Willie Mae (Culp) Ramsey, she retired in 1992 after 23 years as a teacher in the Irving Independent School District. She was a member of the Presbyterian faith and a 1955 graduate of Texas Christian University.

She is survived by daughters, Beth Blanton Flowers of Houston, Deborah Marshall of Irving, and Angela Kruse of Batavia, Ill.; son, Jack Blanton of Austin; grandchildren, Betsy, Caroline, Elaine, Daniel, Abigail, Carl, Pierce and Hans; brother, Carl W. Ramsey of Oklahoma City; and sisters, Janelle Freeman of Oklahoma City, and Catherine Shppard of Mesquite.

Services were held May 23 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Jim Sheppard officiating. Burial followed at Itasca City Cemetery in Itasca.

Family requests memorials to the Itasca Presbyterian Children's Home or the American Cancer Society.
Theresa Marie Bogner

Theresa Marie Bogner, 56, a four-year resident of Irving, died Nov. 27 in an Irving hospital.

Born March 9, 1942, in Dodge City, Kan., she was a homemaker and a member of Northgate United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Andrew Bogner of Irving; her daughters, Eleanor Marie Bogner of Irving, and Melody Bogner Woosley of San Antonio; her brothers, Greg Hayden of Nebraska, Joseph Hayden of Canada, Jerry Hayden of Kansas, and John Hayden of Oklahoma; her son-in-law, Clinton Woosley of San Antonio; and her granddaughter, Tess Marielle Woosley of San Antonio.

Services were conducted Monday, Nov. 30, at Christ United Methodist Church in Plano with the Rev. James J. Spencer officiating. Memorials may be made to the Lupus Foundation.

Arrangements were coordinated by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.
Michael Book Jr., of Irving died Jan. 6 at his residence. He was 71.

Born July 7, 1926, in Johnstown, Pa., Mr. Book retired in 1978 after 30 years as a mill operator for Bethlehem Steel Corp.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy E. Book of Irving; son, Michael Book; wife Elaine of Corinth, son, James Book, wife Kathy of Johnstown, Pa.; daughters, Anna Marie Bard, husband Tim of Irving, Linda Solt, husband David of Highland Village; grandchildren, Robert, Christopher and Michelle Solt, James E. Book, Jr., and Michael Book; brother, Richard E. Book, Pennsylvania; sisters, Margaret Hildebrand and Martha Holtman of Pennsylvania.

Services are scheduled for 10 a.m. today at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel, Chaplain Bruce Wade officiating. Interment at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Family requests memorials to American Cancer Society.
Jesse L. Booth

Jesse L. Booth, formerly of Irving, died Oct. 3 in Oklahoma City.

He was born June 19, 1911, in Crowley, Texas.

He is survived by his wife, Maudine Booth of Edmond, Okla.; son Ron Booth of Edmond; two grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Services were held Oct. 7 at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Randy Rudisell officiating. Burial followed at Moore Memorial Gardens in Arlington.
Debbie Borden

Debbie Borden, former of Irving, died June 25 in Irving. She was 44.

Born Nov. 15, 1953, in Irving, Mrs. Borden worked for more than 20 years Litton as an electro-optical systems material handler specialist.

She is survived by her daughter, Kimberly Don Borden of Mesquite; brothers, Ronnie Border of Mesquite and Ricky Border of Olympia, Wash.; grandchildren, Kenneth Wayne Burrows of Plano, Justin Michael Burrows of Plano, and Stephanie-Lynn Meshelia Burrows of Plano; and friends, Kelly McDonald of Dallas and Naomi Miles of Hurst.

Services are scheduled for 11 a.m. Monday, June 29 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel with Ande' Brown officiating. Family will receive friends at funeral home from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 28. Burial will follow at Oak Grove Memorial Garden.
Marcita Borel

Marcita Borel of Irving died March 22 at an Irving hospital. She was 73.

Born July 12, 1924, in Paris, the daughter of Roy Fletcher and Mary (Walls) Fletcher, she was a homemaker. She was a member of the U.S. Coast Guard during World War II and a member of the First Baptist Church, Irving. She was also a member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

She is survived by a son, John Borel, Euless; a daughter, Linda Green of Irving; grandchildren, Amy Waldrum, Andrea Crossland and Brandon Smith; great-grandchildren, Lavryn and Shelby Waldrum.

Services were held March 25 at Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Dr. Randy Rudisell officiating. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Family requests memorials to
**Geneva Faye Bradford**

Geneva Faye Bradford of Irving died April 12 in Irving. She was 72.

Bradford was born Jan. 8, 1926, in Farmers Branch.

She is survived by her husband, Odell Grayson Bradford of Irving; daughters, Daphne Mack of Shreveport, La. and Shelia King of Dallas; sons, Phillip John Smilie of Alvin and Raymond Lee Bradford; 12 grand children and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held April 15 at Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Roland Hayes officiating.
Odell Grayson Bradford

Odell Grayson Bradford, 76, of Irving died Dec. 8 in Irving.

Born Nov. 1, 1922, in Gorie, he was a restaurant manager. He was preceded in death by his wife, Geneva Bradford.

Survivors include his daughters, Daphne Mack of Shreveport, La., and Shelia King of Irving; his sons, Philip Smilie of Alvin, and Raymond Lee Bradford of Lancaster; his sisters, Mabelle Keck of Cleburne; his brothers, Casey Bradford of Plano, Terry Bradford of Sherman, Charlie Bradford of Dallas, and Raymond Bradford of Holland; 12 grandchildren; and nine grandchildren.

Services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday at Brown's Memorial Chapel with Charlie Alexander officiating. Burial is in Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Margaret Gail Branch

Margaret Gail Branch, 38, of Irving died Monday, Dec. 21, at Baylor Medical Center in Dallas.

Born June 25, 1960, in Dallas to Randa Lynn Martin and Joan Morris, she married Kenneth C. Branch on June 29, 1979, in Irving. She was a receptionist for two years at Nest Entertainment and was a member of Christ Temple.

Survivors include: her husband; son, Rodney A. Branch of Irving; mother, Joan C. Cathey of Irving; sister, Rebecca Kay Flowers of Rhome; six nieces; and a nephew.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, Dec. 23, at Christ Temple, with the Rev. Dr. Jack DeHart officiating. Burial was in Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements were coordinated by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.
Kelley Braudrick

Kelley Braudrick of Hutchins died April 24 in Dallas Texas. He was 56.

He was born Dec. 5, 1942, the son of Carrol Marvin Bradrick and Sadie India Love.

He is survived by his wife, Wanda Braudrick of Hutchins; son, Kelly Braudrick of Denton; daughters, Martha Rogers of Ferris, April Coleman of Dallas, and Lawanda Rogers of Ferris; brothers, Carrol Braudrick of Corsicana, Jerry Braudrick of Florida, Wendell Buckmaster of Arizona and Troy Buckmaster of Irving; eight granddaughters; and two grandsons.

Services were held April 27 at Roselawn Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Chuck Barber officiating. Burial followed at Roselawn Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements made by Roselawn Funeral Home of Seagoville.
Wendell Jerry Breland

Wendell Jerry Breland of Grand Prairie died April 8 in Grand Prairie. He was 56.

Born Oct. 16, 1941, in Olton, he was a resident of the Irving and Grand Prairie area since the early 1970s. He was a veteran the U.S. Army and worked in the automobile body repair business for Toyota of Irving.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Silas and Jewell Breland; two brothers, Marcus Breland and Royce Breland; and one sister, Mary Breland.

He is survived by his wife, Jean Breland of Grand Prairie; three daughters, Delenia Partridge of Mesquite, Rhonda Owens of Kaufman and Deneice Rummer of Irving; 10 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; three sisters, Wanda McCartie of Scottsdale, Ariz., Alice Shivers of Quitaque, and Deloyce Brothers of Clovis, N.M.

Services were held April 11 at Chism and Smith Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Danny Curry officiating. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Leona C. (Spayer) Bresowar

Leona C. (Spayer) Bresowar of Irving died March 28 at an Irving nursing home. She was 88.

Born July 3, 1909, in LaSalle, Ill., the daughter of John and Martha (Erdman) Spayer, she was a Sacristan for more than 10 years at St. Luke's Catholic Church. She also worked at JC Penny for 15 years. She was also a member of St. Luke's Catholic Church, where she was an officer in Altar Society and a member of Catholic Daughters.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Fred Bresowar.

She is survived by son, Allan Bresowar of Irving; and a daughter, Amy Barragan, also of Irving.

Services were held March 31 at St. Luke's Catholic Church with the Rev. J. Douglas Deshotel officiating. Burial followed at St. Hyacinth Cemetery in LaSalle.

Family requests memorials to Alzheimers Association, 2910 Swiss Ave., Dallas, TX 75204.

Arrangements by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.
Bama Odell Brewton

Bama Odell Brewton of Irving died Nov. 5. She was 85.
She was born Dec. 31, 1912, in Hunt County.

She is survived by daughter, Nell Bannister of Seagoville; sisters, Mamie Gordon of Sherman, Marjorie Harper of Omaha, Reba Johnson of Arkansas, and brother, W.G. Gore of Campbell; five grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

The family is to hold private services at a later date.

Arrangements by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.
Bill Brison

Bill Brison of Irving died Oct. 14. He was 75.

Born April 23, 1923, in Gilmer, he retired from Vought in 1982.

He is survived by his wife of 39 years, Margie Brison; daughter, Beth Brison of Arlington; son, Jim Brison of Austin; sisters, Ruth Nichols of Winnsboro and Nell Pursifull of Paris.

Family requests memorials may be made to Vitas Hospice, 2501 Parkview Dr. Suite 600, Ft. Worth, TX 76102.

Arrangements by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.
Robert H. Brock

Robert H. "Bob" Brock of Irving died June 7 of natural causes. He was 58.

Born June 2, 1940, in Temple, he was in the printing business a number of years in the Dallas area, formerly with Heidelberg Printing and he was a member of Irving Elk’s Lodge.

He is survived by his wife, Dorene Brock of Irving; daughter, Janet Meek of Decatur; son, Richard Brock of Irving; sister, Shirley Meadows of Temple and four grandchildren.

Services were conducted June 9 at Donnelly’s Colonial Chapel followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Officials: Dispute leads to homicide

By NORA CORONADO
News Staff Writer

Joyce Broussard became Irving's first domestic violence-related death and fourth homicide case of 1998 after the 34-year-old was shot to death Saturday by her live-in boyfriend, police officials reported.

Broussard was shot six times by Ronnie J. Sparks, 33, who lived with her for "several years" in her home in the 700 block of Knight Lane. There also were two other victims: Broussard's 15-year-old son, Charles Michael Broussard, and her brother, Mark Broussard.

The son and mother were transported to Parkland Memorial Hospital where the teen-ager underwent surgery and Joyce Broussard died. Mark Broussard refused medical treatment at the scene.

The suspect was in police custody late Saturday and was arrested on a probable cause warrant, said Irving Detective Randall Johnson. Formal charges are pending, Johnson said. Sparks also faces charges for the shooting of Broussard's son and brother.

Details of the crime remain unclear and police have not determined a motive for the shooting.

"They had been living together for several years and we are not sure what the argument was about," said David Tull, Irving police public information officer. "Apparently he had left the night before and returned the next morning and that's when the shooting occurred."

Broussard's death comes after the July 27 beating death of 72-year-old Dorothy Campbell, the city's third homicide victim. Her case remains unsolved and police are soliciting the public's help.

Last year, there were four homicide cases as of July compared to only three by the end of the same month this year. But Broussard's death balanced the scale. Her death occurred the day after the last day of July, "I mean we are just talking a few hours into the month," said Tull.

But the lack of fluctuation in numbers does not appease the police department.

"We never like to see that," Tull said of the consistent numbers. "We always like to see less," Tull said.

Death: Woman, 34, shot at home

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Joyce Broussard
John Franklin Brown

John Franklin Brown, last surviving son of Irving co-founder Otis Brown, died Feb. 15 in Tulsa, Okla., where he had lived since 1993. He was 85.

Brown was born Feb. 17, 1912 in Irving, the fourth of five sons to Otis and Netta Brown. He was a graduate of Irving High School and began working as a mail boy for the Texas Louisiana Freight Bureau, a railroad tariff publishing concern. He worked his way up to chairman of the company before he retired 43 years later. He then began a new career in security and for several years was the Dallas Heritage Society's Chief Security Officer at Old City Park. His knowledge of early Dallas and Irving history was of great benefit to park visitors and docents.

Except for a few years when he lived in Dallas, Brown lived in Irving where he raised his family. His first wife, the former Dorothy Beverly Blankenship, died in Irving in January 1956. His second wife, the former Louise Carroll Drewry, died in Irving in 1993.

He is survived by his son, John Michael of Tulsa; his daughter Charlotte Elizabeth of Oakland, Calif.; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Burial was Feb. 18 at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
LaVaughn Franks Brown

LaVaughn "Jo" Franks Brown, 57, of Dallas died Dec. 29.

A 1959 graduate of South Oak Cliff High School, she previously lived in Irving and was a wife and mother. She was preceded in death by her father, James Paul Franks.

Survivors include her husband, Tom Brown; her daughter, Jeane Brown Perez; her sons and daughters-in-law, Tom and Jennifer Brown, and Eddy and Peggy Brown; her mother, Alfreda Franks; her brother and sister-in-law, Jim and Joanne Brown; her sister, Jeane Taylor; her sisters-in-law, Joyce Hampton and Shirley Van Sickle; six grandchildren; and several other relatives.

Memorial services were conducted Wednesday, Dec. 30, at The Eastridge Park Christian Church in Mesquite with the Dan H. Carroll officiating. Memorial services may be made to the Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association, c/o Seagoville, Texas police department.

Arrangements were coordinated by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.
Rayma Edwina Brown

Rayma Edwina Brown, 81, died Feb. 7 in an Irving nursing home. She was 81.

She was born Sept. 17, 1916, in Shelbyville, Tenn. and was an Irving resident most of her life. She was a retired secretary for the Dallas County Sheriff's Department.

She is survived by a son, Steve Nevelik of Irving; and two sisters, Helen Bankston of Dallas, and Flora “Bee” Hitt of Murfreesboro, Ark.

Funeral services were held Feb. 9 at the Oak Grove Memorial Gardens in Irving.

Arrangements made by Chism-Smith Funeral Home of Irving.
Stella Virginia Brown

Stella Virginia Brown, a 27-year resident of Irving, died Sept. 2. She was 72. She was born Aug. 26, 1926, in St. Louis.

She is survived by her husband, Howard Brown; mother, Fannie Zuber; brothers, Alvin Taylor, Tommy Taylor; sister, Ann Hawkins; five children, Gloria Todesco, Clarence Brown, Lewis Brown, Beverly Penn; Teddy Brown; 10 grandchildren, Dwayne Brown, Jennifer Brown, Jeffrey Brown, Blint Brown, Dusti Brown, Jodie Penn and Kate Penn; six great-grandchildren, Clarissa Brown, Alex Archer, Sarah Oldfield, Andrew Oldfield, Kaitlyn Spruce, Kamryn Spruce; and several other family members.

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Geneva R. Brumley
Feb. 5, 1998

Geneva R. Brumley of Grand Prairie died Feb. 1 in an Arlington hospital after a long illness. She was 65.

Brumley was born in Oklahoma and was a resident of Grand Prairie for most her life. She worked for Baker’s Pharmacy and taught special education students for the Irving School District. She was a member of both the Grand Prairie and Irving Parent Teacher Organizations. She had been a member of the Women’s Division of the Grand Prairie Chamber of Commerce and was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Charles Brumley of Grand Prairie; a son, Rickey Lowery of Waskom; two daughters, Janice Armes of Irving, and Danielle Smith of Grand Prairie; two brothers, Calvin Rawson and David Rawson, both of Mannsville, Okla.; six grandchildren; and two nephews.

Services were held Wednesday at the Watts Funeral Home Chapel in Madill, Okla. with the Rev. Paul Cheatham officiating. Burial followed at Woodberry-Forest Cemetery in Madill.
J.B. Bryant

J.B. Bryant of Irving died Jan. 19 in Denton. He was 68.

Born March 18, 1929, in Pauls Valley, Okla., Bryant was a builder.

He is survived by his daughters, Kathy Dodson of Denton and Robbie Bringas of Irving; son, Floyd Bryant of Irving; sisters, Betty June Boswell of Waxachie and Sylvia Deal of Irving; brothers, R.T. Bryant of Arizona, Leon Bryant of Baird, and Kalcay Bryant of Irving; grandchildren, Jeff Baker, Angie Primm, Amberly Marshall, April Mourning; and great-grandson, Maxx Primm.

Graveside services were held Jan. 20 at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Milton F. Robbins officiating.

Local arrangements by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.
Glen Dale Bucher

Glen Dale Bucher of Irving died May 4 in Irving. He was 57.

Born June 8, 1940, in Dallas, he was a resident of Irving and a retired security guard.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Juanita Payton.

He is survived by his father, Dale Bucher of Irving; step-mother, Delores Bucher of Irving; daughters, Verna Berry and Cicki Semite, both of Oklahoma; sons, Walter Anthony Bucher of Oklahoma City, and James Bucher of Chickasha, Okla.; brother, Ricky Bucher of Cedar Hill; and a step-daughter, Kim Rosebeary.

Funeral services were held May 6 at Chism and Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. Clyde Boyd officiating at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Randy Carroll officiating. Burial is at 1:30 p.m. today at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, San Antonio.
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Susan Buffington

Susan Buffington of Irving died April 15, at an Irving hospital. She was 96.
Arrangements pending at Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home.
Lavada Mae Bullock

Lavada Mae Bullock, 91, of Irving died Tuesday, Dec. 15.

Born Nov. 29, 1907 in Milsap, she was a member of Faith Temple Baptist Church in Irving.

Survivors include: nephews, Randy Davis of Pecan Gap and Jim Davis of Mesquite; niece, Linda Puckett of Gainesville; and step-son, Billy Lee Bullock of Fort Worth.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Dec. 19, at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. David Sheehan officiating.
Teresa "Terry" Burke

Teresa "Terry" Burke of Arlington died May 2 at her home. She was 53.

Born May 17, 1944 in Queens, N.Y., she was a retired executive assistant with American Airlines. She was also a member of Holy Family of Nazareth Catholic Church in Irving.

She is survived by her cousins, Gerri and Al Duplessis of Dumont, N.J.

Burial mass was held May 7 at Holy Family of Nazareth Catholic Church with the Rev. Aidan O'Donovan officiating.
Russell Andrea Burrow

Russell Andrea Burrow of Irving died Oct. 11 in the V.A. Medical Center of Dallas. He was 75.

Born Dec. 9, 1922, in Bexar, Ala., he was a retired paint contractor and a veteran of World War II.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Burrow; sons, John Burrow of Arlington and Andy Burrow of Abilene; daughters, Rita Ann Hill of Irving and Carol Sue Godwin of Grand Prairie; brothers, Swansie Burrow and Trannie Burrow both of Hamilton, Ala., Thomas Burrow of Adrian, Mich., and Jay Burrow of Dallas; five grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Oct. 14 with Grady King, minister of MacArthur Church of Christ, officiating.
Ronald W. Butler

Ronald W. Butler of Irving died June 22. He was 63.

Born June 22, 1934, in Lebanon, Indiana, Mr. Butler served in the United States Marines and was a retired bricklayer and stone mason. He was head maintenance at Pecan Village Apartments.

He is survived by his wife, Linda Butler; sister, Sharon Johnson of Great Falls, Mont.; in-laws, Francis and Patricia Pongratz of Paxico, Kan.; children, Renee Fitch and Donald Butler of Florida; step-children, Brad Allen of Irving, Patti Allen, Melissa Allen, Addie and Ray Roberts all of Paxico, Kan., Christy and Bill Walker of Topeka Kan.; eight grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Memorial services were held June 26 at the Medical City Hospital Chapel.

Family requests memorials be sent to the Ronald W. Butler Memorial Fund c/o Ben F. Brown's Memorial Funeral Home at 707 N. MacArthur Blvd., Irving, Texas 75061.