Servin pleads guilty

By VICTORIA NUÑEZ
News Staff Writer

Jose Servin, 21, pleaded guilty to intoxicated manslaughter and failure to stop and render aid in the September death of Irving teen Tiffany Cain and had not yet been sentenced as of press time Wednesday morning.

Servin was charged with intoxicated manslaughter — a second-degree felony that carries a maximum sentence of 20 years in prison and a $10,000 fine. The defendant was also charged with failure to stop and

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"I am still on my pray-for-justice kick," she said. "It is not over until he receives the maximum sentence. If you kill someone with a car, somehow it is less than if you killed them with a gun. I don't understand that. The person is not any less dead."

Tammy Cain has been collecting letters from friends and family to put in a file to be accessed when Servin becomes eligible for parole.

"We want the parole board to know who Tammy Cain was, and we will be there every step of the way," she said.

According to police reports, a red 1982 Ford truck driven by Servin westbound on State Highway 183 failed to observe a stop sign and struck the passenger side of a 1995 Geo Prizm traveling north on Carl Road at about 12:15 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 7.

Tammy Cain, 18, was the passenger in the Prizm and was taken to Parkland Memorial Hospital, where she died from injuries sustained in the accident.

He reduced speed but never stopped," Flores said.

Flores said he and the passengers in the truck had been to a party and to friend's house earlier that day. They had been drinking at both places.

Chris Heartal, the chemist who performed Servin's blood alcohol test, said his blood-alcohol level was at 0.17. The legal limit in Texas is 0.10.

Two hours passed during the time of the accident and the alcohol test. Heartal said, assuming Servin had no alcohol in stomach, his blood-alcohol level at the time of the accident would have been 0.19 to 0.21.

Danny Radican, a friend of the Cain family, said he will never understand why Servin and the others ran from the scene and did not help.

"It was an accident. We know that," he said. "He has taken responsibility for it from the beginning. I will give him that, but it makes what he did no less severe and that he ran."

Tammy Cain, a 1997 graduate of Irving High School, recently had started her first semester at the University of North Texas in Denton prior to the accident. Tammy Cain was also last year's recipient of the Irving News Louise Whitmer Memorial Journalism Scholarship and was very active during her stay at Irving High School. She served as the editor of her high-school newspaper and of the yearbook.

Correction

In the Sunday, March 1 issue of the Irving News, the story previewing the trial of Jose Servin indicated Tiffini Cain died on Sept. 11, 1997.

In fact, Tiffini Cain died Sept. 7, 1997.

The Irving News regrets the error and apologizes for any inconveniences it may have caused.
CALAME

CLOMAN P.
1923 - 1998

DORIS GRAY
1926 - 1991
Cloman P. Calame

Cloman P. Calame of Irving died June 25. He was 74.

Born Nov. 2, 1923, in Navarro County, Mr. Calame retired from LTV.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Doris Calame.

He is survived by daughters, Barbara Calame of Garland and Rebecca Serman of Allen; son, Arnold Calame of Irving; grandchildren, Timothy Teague, Dustin Teague and Amy Furstenberg; and two great-grandchildren.

Services are scheduled for 11 a.m. Monday, June 29 at Beltline Road Church of Christ with Dan Flournoy officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Gloria Jean Little Calverly

Gloria Jean Little Calverly of Irving died recently. She was 56.

She was preceded in death by her father, James S. Little in 1997.

She is survived by her mother, Ila Mae Little; sons, Craig and his wife, Sue Calverly of Irving, and Chris Calverly of Irving; brother, Jim and his wife, Jennie Little of Wylie; and nephews, Jeff Little and Jon Little of Wylie.

Services were held Oct. 10 at Plymouth Park Baptist Church with the Rev. Ken Branan officiating. Burial followed at Southland memorial Park in Grand Prairie.

Family requests memorials to the American Diabetes Association.

Arrangements by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.
Jillian Kay Cantrell

Jillian Kay Cantrell of Irving died Oct. 25 at a Dallas hospital. She was 4.

Born Feb. 13, 1994, in Irving, the daughter of James Lee and Jennifer (Palmer) Cantrell, she was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Ladder Day Saints, Second Ward.

She is survived by her parents; brother, Jordan Palmer; sisters, Jacqueline and Jessica Cantrell; grandparents, Calvin and Pat Palmer and Carol Cantrell; great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Kelly and Harriet Palmer; several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Services were held Oct. 28 at the Church of Latter Day Saints with the Rev. Dennis Blackner officiating. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements by Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home.
Allen A. Carlile

Allen A. "Shorty" Carlile of Irving died Feb. 28 in Irving. He was 83.

Born July 18, 1914, in Mineola, Carlile was a paint contractor.

He is survived by son, Don Carlile of Truth or Consequences, N.M.; grandchildren, Julie Cherry of Midland, Daniel Carlile of Lubbock, Sherry Carlile of Denton, and David Carlile, a Marine stationed in Pensacola Fla.; and four great-grand-

children.

Services were held March 2 at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Tim Lewis officiating. Burial followed at Bourland Cemetery in Keller.
Raymond Lester Carlton

Raymond Lester Carlton of Irving died June 19 at a Dallas hospital. He was 85.

Born Feb. 22, 1913, in St. Paul, Minn., the son of Paul R. and Emma Marie (Rost) Carlton, he was a retired manager of a pump service.

He is survived by his wife, Jo Carlton of Irving; brother, James Carlton of Minnesota, Walter Carlton of Arizona, and George Carlton of Minnesota; and a niece.

Arrangements pending with Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.
Bob Carper

Bob Carper of Southlake died July 29 in Southlake. He was 77.

Born Nov. 21, 1920, he was a bookkeeper and a store owner. He was also a veteran of World War II and a member of Irving’s VFW Post.

He is survived by his wife, Marjorie Carper of Southlake; sons, Tom Carper of Franklin, Robert K. Carper II of San Antonio, and James P. Carper of Wichita Falls; brothers, Eldon Carper of Naples, Fla., Leland Carper of Waukee, Iowa, and William Carper of Murray, Iowa; sister, Carolyn Carper of Winterset, Iowa; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held Aug. 3 at Bluebonnet Hills Memorial Park with the Rev. Terry Cashion.
Roy Carr III

Roy Carr III of Irving died Feb. 11 at an Irving hospital. He was 47. Carr was born Dec. 21, 1950 in Memphis, the son of Roy Carr Jr. and Billie Jean (Brown) Carr. He married Denise Wills July 16, 1988 in Irving. He was employed as a network engineer for Texas Instruments in Lewisville for more than 23 years. He was a member of Hilltop Drive Baptist Church of Irving and was a former member of the Navy. He was also a member of the International Barbeque Cook-offs of America, the Irving Girls Softball League, as a coach, and the Irving Girls Soccer League.

Surviving are his wife, three daughters, Brenda Marie Carr of Euless, Mandi Carr and Katie Carr, both of Irving; his mother, Marie Carr of Irving; a sister Ginny North of Grapevine; a brother, William Carr of Lewisville; two cousins; a sister-in-law; and a large number of family members and friends.

Services were held Feb. 14 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Paul Cheatham officiating. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Minor Lee Carson

Minor Lee Carson of Irving died Oct. 15 at a Mesquite hospital. He was 85.

He was born Jan. 21, 1913, in Washita Community near Canadian. He attended Pleasant Valley School, Hemphill County and Canadian High School. He graduated from Wellington High School, in Wellington in 1932.

Upon graduation, he worked for the R. Wm. Brown Ranch until he was unable to work. He moved to Dallas where he lived in a room at the local YMCA hostel while working and attending night school classes at Southern Methodist University. Soon after, he met Louise LaRocca, and they were married in September 1937.

Minor worked for the U. S. Internal Revenue Service as an accountant, and, later, for an oil well supply company. During World War II, he worked for a defense manufacturing company in Arkansas.

After the war, he joined the Atlas Metal Works Co. He retired in August 1987 at age 74. He and his wife Louise celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in that same year. He was a member of the St. Lukes Catholic Church in Irving.

He is survived by his wife, Louise; sons, Lewis M. Carson; Carl F. Carson, both of New York, and David Carson of New Orleans; two sisters, Helen C. Ward of Houston and Sallie B. Harris of Wheeler; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, as well as several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by an infant son, John Edward; three brothers, I. F. Carson of Oklahoma City, J. Virgil Brock of Canadian, and Gus H. Brock of Amarillo; and one sister, Nellie M. Horton of Wheeler.

Funeral arrangements are pending with Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.
Minor Lee Carson

Minor Lee Carson of Irving died Oct. 15 at the Mesquite Community Hospital. He was 85.

Born Jan. 21, 1913, in the Washita Community, he attended St. Luke Catholic Church and worked for the U.S. Internal Revenue Service as an accountant, and later for an oil well supply company. During World War II, he joined the Atlas Metal Works Company from which he retired in 1987.

He was preceded in death by an infant son, John Edward; brothers, I.F. Carson of Oklahoma City, Okla., J. Virgil Brock of Canadian, and Gus H. Brock of Amarillo; and sister, Nellie M Horton of Wheeler.

He is survived by his wife, Louise; sons, Lewis M. Carson and Carl F. Carson both of New York and David Carson of New Orleans; sisters, Helen C. Ward of Houston and Sallie B. Harris of Wheeler; six grandchildren; five great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were conducted Oct. 21 at St. Rita’s Catholic Church. Interment was at Calvary Hill Cemetery in Dallas. Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home coordinated local arrangements.
Tamira Lee Casler

Tamira “Tami” Lee Casler of Arlington died Aug. 3 in Arlington. She was 18.

Born May 18, 1980, in Fort Worth, the daughter of David and Christine Anderson of Bedford and father, David Casler of Arlington, she was a food industry manager in Arlington.

She graduated from Trinity High School in May, where she was a volleyball player. She was also active in the youth group at First United Methodist Church of Irving and Arlington Heights United Methodist Church of Fort Worth.

She is survived by her parents; and sisters, Dawn Casler of Fort Worth, Melinda Casler of Bedford and Rachel Casler of Bedford.

Services were held Aug. 7 at First United Methodist Church of Irving.
Carlos Paloma Castillo

Carlos Paloma Castillo died Nov. 5 in Dallas. He was 48. He was born Nov. 14, 1950, in Dallas.

He is survived by children, Lora Castillo of Dallas, Karen Castillo of Arlington, and Carlos Castillo, Jr. of Grand Prairie; brothers, John Castillo, Joe Castillo, Robert Castillo and Gilbert Castillo, all of Dallas; sisters, Yolanda Castillo, Olidia Castillo and Susana, all of Dallas; and five grandchildren.

Services were scheduled for Nov. 7 at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed at Laurel Land Cemetery in Dallas.
Rodolfo Castro

Rodolfo "Rudy" Castro, 75, of Irving died Oct. 20 in an Irving hospital.

Born March 25, 1923, in El Dorado, he retired as an administrator at the Bulk Mail Center in Dallas in 1978. A member of St. Luke's Catholic Church, he served in the U.S. Air Force and belonged to the American Legion.

Survivors include his wife, Estella Castro of Irving; his daughters, Mary Ann Enriquez of Irving and Yolanda McPherson of Southlake; his sons, Rudy Castro Jr. and Luis Castro, both of Irving; his brother, Edward Castro Jr. of Brady; his sisters, Alice DeHoyos of San Antonio, Tommie Spicer of San Antonio, Irma Carpenter of Houston, Evelina Guggenbuehl of Sachse, and Odelia Cervantes of Dallas; 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, at St. Luke's Catholic Church. Burial will be at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements are being coordinated by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.
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Services were conducted at 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, at St. Luke’s Catholic Church. Burial will be at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements were coordinated by Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home.
Anthony Cavalle

Anthony "Skip" Cavalle of Irving died July 1, 1998, at his home. He was 70.

He was born Dec. 23, 1927, in Pittsburgh.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara Cavalle; daughters, Cynthia Cavalle of Irving, and Laura Beck of Coppell; son, Anthony Cavalle of Kansas City, Mo.; sisters, Virginia Cosden of Baltimore; and grandchildren, Meagan Casey, Tony and Jennifer Cavalle.

Services were held Friday at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Dan Hoke officiating.

Family requests memorials in the name of "Skips" to the National Paralysis Foundation, 16415 Addison Rd, Suite 550, Dallas, TX 75248.
Irving man dies after being burned in Dallas

Three out-of-state men charged with capital murder, kidnapping in ‘drug-related incident’

By STEPHEN TERRY
News Staff Writer

Nineteen-year-old Hector Javier Cavazos of Irving died Thursday at a Dallas hospital after being beaten, doused with gasoline, and then set on fire in what police are calling a “drug-related incident.”

Three out-of-state men were taken into custody Thursday following the kidnapping of Cavazos and another 19-year-old Irving man and a high-speed chase through the Dallas area, according to Irving police. The chase started in Irving after local authorities responded to a call about 1 a.m. of a possible abduction and robbery in the area of Irving Boulevard and Nursery Road.

According to police reports, officers spotted and attempted to stop the suspects, who were traveling in a Cadillac. The vehicle then sped away at a high rate of speed with the 19-year-old friend of Cavazos in the car. Police did not release the name of the second 19-year-old victim.

The suspects — identified as Kerry Lashawn Cheatham, 37, of Oklahoma, David Harold Else Jr., 25, of California, and Rodrick Dean Earl, 29, of Oklahoma — led police into Dallas, where the chase ended in a crash near Reunion Arena, according to police reports. The three suspects then fled on foot but were apprehended near the scene of the accident by Irving police.

About 15 minutes following the arrest of the three suspects, Dallas police received a call leading them to the location of a man suffering from burns covering 90 percent of his body.

“We responded to a citizen’s call ... at about 1:40 (a.m.) that there was a person injured in a certain location,” said Detective Chris Gilliam, Dallas police department public information officer. “We transported the victim to Parkland Hospital. Later, we found out this was an Irving case.”

Local police said further investigation into the incident revealed the two 19-year-old Irving Hispanic males originally were abducted and taken to the area of 4300 W. Red Bird Lane in south Dallas by the three suspects. While at this location, Cavazos was apparently beaten and set on fire.

Cavazos died about 7:30 p.m. Thursday from injuries suffered during the incident, Irving police said.

Investigators said this incident appeared to be drug-related, citing their seizure of an undisclosed amount of cocaine and cash from the involved Cadillac and suspects.

Initially, Irving police charged Cheatham, Else, and Earl with aggravated kidnapping, evading arrest and engaging in organized criminal activity. After the victim died, police said the aggravated kidnapping charge has been changed to capital murder.
William Douglas Caviness

William Douglas Caviness died Sept. 13 in Grand Prairie. He was 52.

Born Aug. 17, 1946, in Mount Vernon, he had been a resident of Irving since 1954. He was also a 1964 graduate of Irving High School, a member of the First Baptist Church of Las Colinas, and a retired warehouse supervisor of Susan Crane Packaging.

He is survived by his wife, Pam Caviness of Irving; daughter, Shannon Cole of Grand Prairie; brothers, Rick Caviness of Dallas, and Billy Rex Caviness of Irving; and a sister, Marie Burchard of Decatur.

Services were held Sept. 16 at the First Baptist Church of Las Colinas. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements by Chism-Smith Funeral Home.
Billy Dean Caylor

Billy Dean Caylor of Irving died May 4 in Irving. He was 64.

Born Nov. 23, 1933, in Great Bend, Kan., he had been a field service technician for Coca Cola. He was also a member of the Heroine Masonic Lodge No. 104 AF and AM.

He is survived by his wife, Connie Caylor of Irving; Daughters, Candis Bland of Grand Prairie, and Holly Wilson of Albuquerque, N.M.; sisters, Juanita Barker of Ufalla, Okla., and Pearl Pemberton of Osawatomie, Kan.; grandson, Michael Wilson; an aunt Dorothy Schell.

Funeral services were held May 6.
Aaron Ray Chaffin

Aaron Ray Chaffin of Irving died Aug. 2 in Dallas. He was 13.

Born Sept. 12, 1984, in Lewisville, the son of Rodney and Luann Chaffin, he is the step-son of Susan Chaffin of Gordonville.

He is survived by his parents; sisters, Shelly Clark of Honey Grove and Lindy Chaffin of Gordonville; brother, Patrick Shirey; grandmother, Georgia Baxter of Irving; grandmother, Bernice Starnes of Gordonville; great-grandmother, Alta Elmore of Grand Prairie; and numerous uncles, aunts and cousins.

Services are scheduled for 2 p.m. today at Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. James Puckett officiating Burial will follow at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Highway death ruled homicide by Irving police

Witness says woman, 19, held at knifepoint, tossed from vehicle, hit by truck on IH-635

By STEPHEN TERRY
News Staff Writer

Local police are investigating a homicide in which an Arlington woman was fatally injured Tuesday after being tossed from a moving vehicle and then struck by an 18-wheel vehicle on Interstate 635 near MacArthur Boulevard.

Melissa Charland, 19, was pronounced dead at the scene of the accident.

Irving police Lt. Terry Zettle said Charland and her 22-year-old boyfriend were without funds and trying to return to the boyfriend's home in Sherman. Police would not release the name of the victim's boyfriend.

"She and her boyfriend were hitchhiking and were picked up by a Hispanic male in a brown van at (Interstate) I-30 and Northeast 19th in Grand Prairie," Zettle said. "Apparently, the Hispanic male was drunk. He pulled a carpet knife and held it to the throat of the victim. He then stopped the van and ordered the companion male ... out of the vehicle."

The victim's boyfriend said the suspect continued westbound on Interstate 635 with the girl in the vehicle.

"Sometime down the road, ... (Charland) was either pushed or jumped out of the van," Zettle said. "Her companion ran to the sight, where he saw his girlfriend bleeding profusely in the right hand lane of traffic. Before he could extract her from the street, an 18-wheel vehicle struck the victim."

Police said the accident occurred about 2:41 a.m.
"We had to close the two westbound, right lanes of traffic for approximately three hours Tuesday morning," Zettle said. Police said they are unsure whether hitting the ground from the fall caused Charland's death, or if the impact of the truck hitting her caused the fatal blow.

"She may have died from the injuries suffered during the fall from the vehicle," Zettle said. "An autopsy is being conducted to determine the actual cause."

Both the brown van and the 18-wheel vehicle fled the scene of the accident, according to police.

"We have no license plates or any other information than it was a white 18-wheeler and a brown van," Zettle said. "The Hispanic male driving the van is described to be in his late 30s to early 40s with multiple tattoos on his left arm. That is all the information the victim's companion could give on the suspect."

"We do have some leads that indicate the suspect may live somewhere in this area, and we are following up on those leads. We only had one witness stop. We are asking anyone who may have witnessed this accident between 2:30 a.m. and 3 a.m. to contact our criminal investigation division at 721-2535."
Aaron Blake Childers

Aaron Blake "Bubba" Childers of Irving died Feb. 11 at his home.
He is survived by his father, R. B. Childers of Irving; a brother, Robert Childers of Grand Prairie; a sister Martha Mitchell of Irving; nieces Carrie Childers, Lake Dallas, Jaime Silar of Irving, great-niece, Kylie Silar of Irving; nephews, Chuck Wilson, Dallas, Christopher Childers, Grand Prairie, Jayson Cox, Irving, Jeremy and Joshua Mitchell, both of Irving, Casey Silar of Irving and a great-nephew, Ethan Hughes, Lake Dallas.

He is preceded in death by his mother, LaVerne Childers, and brothers, Charles and Michael Childers.

Services were held Feb. 14 at Plymouth Park Baptist Church. Burial followed at Crown Hill Cemetery in Dallas.

Arrangements were made by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.
Althea G. Christ

Althea G. Christ of Irving died April 13 in Plano. She was 79.

Born Jan. 11, 1919 in White Plains, N. Y., Christ was retired from the Irving Police Department where she worked as a secretary.

She is survived by her daughter, Candee Christ of Irving and grandchildren, Kim Linnencamp of Plano and Amber Linnencamp of Plano.

Funeral services were held April 15 at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Randy Carroll officiating.
Lular Mae Blackmon
Chumley

Lular Mae Blackmon Chumley of Irving died Oct. 21. She was 85.

Born Sept. 13, 1913, in Washington County, Fla., she was affiliated with the Senter Park Jehovah's Witness Congregation.

She is survived by her children, Hazel Shcokley of Irving, Betty Martin of Pensacola, Fla., Billie Mansell of Mesquite, Edna Phillips of Irving, Thelma Smith of New Orleans, Buddy Chumley of Irving, and Jane Phillips; 12 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Services were scheduled for Oct. 24 in Florida.

Local Arrangements by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.
Donald Fred Clark Jr.

Donald Fred Clark Jr., 65, formerly of Irving, died Nov. 22 in a Comanche Hospital.

Born Oct. 29, 1933, in Gonzales, the son of Donald Fred and Georgia Pettus Clark, he was a retired geophysicist for Mobil Oil Co. and a veteran of the U.S. Army. He was also a member of the Baptist faith.

He is survived by his wife, Winnie of Gustine; sons, Thomas Glenn Clark of Waxahachie, and Mark Edward Clark of Mineral Wells; step-sons, Ronnie Lee Sandell of Pecos, and Rickie Dean Sandell of Brownwood; step-daughter, Rhonda Sue Wade of Pecos; sisters, Joan Manning of Brenham, and June Jansen of Bells; brother, Tom Clark of Foreston; 10 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Services were held Nov. 24 in Comanche.

Family requests memorials to the American Cancer Society, Comanche Unity, 804 W. Wright, Comanche, TX 76442.
James Allen Clark

James Allen "Jimmy" Clark of Euless died Oct. 1 at a Dallas hospital. He was 56.

A former Irving letter carrier with the U.S. Postal Service in Irving, he was born Jan. 25, 1942, in Dallas, the son of Wilbur Allen and Lilly Marie (Austin) Clark.


He is survived by his wife; sons, William Allen Clark of Fort Worth, Kevin Louis Clark of Saginaw, and James Paul Clark of Euless; brothers, John Edward Clark of Powderly, and Glen Olan Clark of Quitman; sister, Sharon Petchkurow of Rowlett; mother; and grandchildren, Jared Allen Clark of Jefferson, Ashtyn Diann Clark of Jefferson, and Collin James Clark of Saginaw.

Services are scheduled for 2 p.m. today at the Grand Prairie Seventh-day Adventist Church with the Rev. Peter Weber officiating. Burial will be at 4:30 p.m. today at Keene Seventh-day Adventist Cemetery in Keene.

Family requests memorials to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 560089, Dallas, TX 75356.

Arrangements by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.
**Thelma Ruth Claybourn**

Thelma Ruth Claybourn, an Irving resident for 22 years, died May 12 in an Irving hospital. She was 69.

Born April 2, 1929, in Victoria, the daughter of William Darrell and Thelma Greenless Maples, she was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, Billy James Claybourn; son, David Claybourn of Greenville; daughters, Susan Craig of Arlington, Cynthia Walker of Brock, and Melanie Hanna of Fort Worth; and grandchildren, Emily and Jared Walker, Laura and Stephen Craig and Thyra Hanna.

Services were scheduled for Friday, May 15 at the Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Harold Amos Clayton

Harold Amos Clayton, 90, died May 23 in Grand Prairie.
Born July 8, 1907, in Hutchinson, Kan., he was an Irving resident and a retired letter carrier for the U.S. Postal Service. A U.S. Army veteran of World War II, he was preceded in death by his wife, Ada Clayton.

Survivors include his son and daughter-in-law, Allen and Mary Clayton of Irving; his brother, Paul Clayton of San Marcos; and one granddaughter, Monica Clayton of Irving.

A family service was conducted on May 26 at Chism-Smith Funeral Home. Burial is in Mountain View Memorial Park in Mesa, Ariz.
Patrick Ray Cloy

Patrick Ray Cloy of Fort Worth died this week. He was 25.

Cloy worked as a construction worker and lived in Irving for 24 years.

He is survived by his parents, Maurice Cloy of Fort Worth and Trudi Cloy of Farmers Branch; daughter, Ashley Nicole Cloy of Farmers Branch; grandmother, Mary Louise Cloy and numerous aunts and uncles.

Services were conducted Aug. 8 at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Hortense Marie Cobb

Hortense Marie Cobb died Aug. 25 at an Irving nursing home. She was 89.

She was a retired Licensed Vocational Nurse who lived in the Dallas area since 1945. She was Ms. Mature Irving in 1986, and was a volunteer for Meals on Wheels, AARP, Civil Defense, PTA and Girl Scouts.

She began her singing career on radio in 1932, with a daily broadcast in New Orleans. She was also a member of the Sweet Adelines Chorus in Dallas. She was founder and lead singer for the Brooks Manor Hillbilly Band from 1973 to 1982. She also sang for Irving Opry. She was also in six films.

She is survived by daughters, Kathryn Taylor of Irving and Rachelsara Cludius of Beaumont; and a son, Charles Cludius of Irving.

Cobb donated her body to science.

Services were held Aug. 29 at the Kirkwood United Methodist Church.

Family requests memorials to VNA Hospice, 1440 W. Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, TX 75247.
Ronald Joe Cobb

Ronald "Ronnie" Joe Cobb, a former resident of Irving, now a resident of Lewisville died Aug. 13 at his sister's resident in the Colony. He was 44.

Born June 10, 1954, in Dallas, he was a machinist.

He is survived by his daughter, Carrie Cobb of LaPorte; son, Clinton Cobb of LaPorte; sisters, Marsha Hazlewood of Lewisville and Laura Orr of The Colony.

Services were held Aug. 15 at Orand Chapel at Bishop Mason Retreat Center in Flower Mound with the Rev. Henry Pendergrass officiating.
William M. Coffman

William M. Coffman died Jan. 25 in Dallas. He was 55.
Coffman worked in construction.

He was preceded in death by his parents, T.M. and Lottie Coffman.

He is survived by his wife, Patsy Coffman; two daughters, Phyllis Whitaker of Irving, and Teresa Jackson of Euless, Texas; three sons, Ricky Greer of Celina, Texas, Ronnie Greer of Aubrey, Texas, and Billy Coffman of Irving; two sisters, Evalyn Householder of Henderson, Texas, and Ann Woolsey of Euless, Texas; and a brother, Robert Wayne Coffman of West Memphis, Ark, and eight grandchildren.

Services were held Jan. 27 at Brown's Chapel with the Rev. Bob Fulcher officiating. Interment followed at Jacksonville Cemetery in Jacksonville, Texas.
Mari Anne Cerese Clawson

Mari Anne Cerese Clawson Coles of Irving died March 8 at an Irving hospital. She was 76.

Born Nov. 28, 1921, Coles served Irving parks and recreation centers for 25 years as a ceramics teacher. She also owned and operated her own ceramics shop, Ceramics by Mari Anne.

She is survived by her daughter, M. Jeanne Clyburn Hatcher of Houston; daughters-in-law, Marcia Hutchinson of Dallas and Diane Peikert of Irving; granddaughters, Patricia Hutchinson Andris of Irving; Jenni Hatcher Del Angel and husband, Victor of Houston; great-granddaughter, Jana M. Andris of Irving; brothers, Jim Clawson and wife, Ruth of California and John and Joan Clawson of Oregon; brother-in-law, Chuck Tabone of California; and sister Stella Jacobs of Dallas.

At her request there will be no memorial service held.

In lieu of flowers, family requests donations to the American Cancer Society.
Kenneth Howard  
Collier Sr.

Kenneth Howard Collier, Sr. of Irving died in Irving May 7. He was 74.

Born April 7, 1924, in Birdell, Ark., he was employed by Red Ball Motor Freight as a line driver.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Collier of Irving; children, Kenneth H. Collier, Jr., Benjamin J. Collier, Russell D. Collier, Stephan A. Collier; sister, Louise Turner brother, Lewis Collier; and nine grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens on May 8 with the Rev. Bruce Wade officiating.

Local arrangements by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.
Audrea L. Compton

Audrea L. Compton of Irving died May 9 at her home. She was 69.
Born Dec. 9, 1928, in Dayton, Oh., the daughter of Fred Lemm and Gesna (Ables) Lemm, she was a former apartment manager.
She is survived by a son, Lee Compton of Irving; and a daughter, Tracy Ward of Irving.
Services pending with Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home.
Letha G. Compton


Born Sept. 11, 1919 in Sydney, she lived in Irving for 22 years as a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ. She was preceded in death by a son, Kenneth Gene Compton.

Survivors include her husband, Harvey Compton of Arlington; her sons, Richard Lee Compton of Irving, and Bobby Joe Compton of Leverett Redwine of Long Beach, Calif.; nine grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Monday, Dec. 7, at Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home Chapel with Thomas Foster officiating. Burial is in Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements were coordinated by Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home.
Letha G. Compton


Born Sept. 11, 1919 in Sydney, she lived in Irving for 22 years as a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ. She was preceded in death by a son, Kenneth Gene Compton.

Survivors include her husband, Harvey Compton of Arlington; her sons, Richard Lee Compton of Irving, and Bobby Joe Compton of Irving; her daughter, Judith Lynn Seay of Arlington; her brother, Beverett Redwine of Long Beach, Calif.; nine grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Monday, Dec. 7, at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel with Thomas Foster officiating. Burial is in Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements were coordinated by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.
Clayton J. Connell

Clayton J. Connell of Irving died Aug. 3 at an Irving nursing home. He was 87.

Born June 24, 1911, in Fall River, Kan., the son of Johnnie and Elizabeth (Praille) Connell, he was a retired rural mail carrier.

He is survived by his son, Bill Connell and his wife Joann, both of Irving.

Services are scheduled for Aug. 6 in Fredonia, Kan.

Local arrangements by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.
Addie Ruth Cooper

Addie Ruth Cooper of Irving died April 10. She was 63.

Born on November 18, 1924, in Midway, Cooper was retired from Irving ISD.

She is survived by her husband, J. C. Cooper of Irving; daughters, Patricia Cooper Allen, Janice Cooper Caldwell, and Connie Cooper White, all of Irving; son, Timothy Cooper of Irving; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held April 14 at Brown's Memorial Chapel with Tim Lewis, David Trawick and Janice Cooper officiating. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Addie Ruth Cooper

Addie Ruth Cooper of Irving died April 10. She was 73.

Born on November 18, 1924, in Midway, Cooper was retired from Irving ISD.

She is survived by her husband, J. C. Cooper of Irving; daughters, Patricia Cooper Allen, Janice Cooper Caldwell, and Connie Cooper White, all of Irving; son, Timothy Cooper of Irving; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held April 14 at Brown's Memorial Chapel with Tim Lewis, David Trawick and Janice Cooper officiating. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Mack Glendon Cooper

Mack Glendon Cooper of Irving, died Sept. 21. He was 75.

He was born Dec. 28, 1922, in Ivanhoe. He served his country in the U.S. Navy before his retirement. He was employed as a fireman at the Dallas Naval Air Station. He operated a small bicycle shop at his home, Cooper's Bicycle Shop. He was active in the Boy Scouts of America.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Alice (Binion) Cooper.

He is survived by sons, David Glendon Cooper and Paul Edward Cooper, both of Irving; one daughter Patricia Clos and her husband Gary of Jasper, Texas; three sisters, Louise McDonald of Dallas, Letha McKinney of Quinlan, and Marie Vaughn; of Ben Wheeler; grandchildren, Jonathan Clos, of Jasper and Julianne Clos Daniel of Lubbock; and several nephews and nieces.

Services were held Sept. 23 at Brown's Memorial Chapel. Burial followed at Bear Creek Cemetery in Euless with the Rev. Randy Rudisell officiating.
Wayne Cooper

Wayne Cooper, a former resident of Irving, died Jan. 30; he was 46.

He is survived by his wife, Alice; a three-year-old son, Lucas Wayne Cooper; two stepsons, Sean and Scott; his parents Ray and Oleta Cooper of Irving; a sister, Molly Balcom of Arlington; two brothers, Morris Cooper of Irving, and Ray Cooper Jr. of Lewisville; one niece and 11 nephews.

Services were held Feb. 7 at the Unity Church of Arlington, with the Revs. Joel and Dianna Hughes presiding.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the American Heart Association, or the American Diabetes Association. Also, a trust fund has been established by friends for his son, Lucas, at Brookhollow National Bank, P.O. Box 655441, Dallas, TX 75247 Attention G.L. Hooker.
Joseph James Cope

Joseph James Cope of Irving died Feb. 21 in Irving. He was 80.
Born Feb. 16, 1918 in El Dorado, Okla., Cope was a farmer and a member of the First United Methodist Church of Irving.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth Lewis Cope of Irving; a daughter, Jô Lynnette Anderson of Lubbock; a son Al Cope of Irving; a sister, Donnie Ratliff of Hollis, Okla.; and two grandchildren, Aaron Cope and Marianne Cope.

Services were held Feb. 23 at the First United Methodist Church in Irving with the Rev. Mike Walker officiating. Burial followed at El Dorado Cemetery in El Dorado.

Arrangements made by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.
Earl Counts Jr.

Earl Counts Jr. of Irving died Nov. 3 in Irving. He was 62.

He was born May 25, 1936, in Big Springs.

He is survived by wife, Margaret Counts; children, Lisa Marlynn Counts of Dallas; Elmer Earl Counts III of Irving, Eric Adams of Grapevine; brothers, Gerald David Counts of Seagoville, Donald Monroe Counts of Farmersville, and Robert DeWayne Counts of Cedar Hill, grandchild, Brian Earl Counts of Grand Prairie; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services were scheduled for Nov. 6 at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel in Irving. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens with Rev. Scott Mayfield officiating.
Nancy Florine Cowley

Cowley, Nancy Florine "Yank," 68, of Irving died Nov. 18.
She was born Oct. 12, 1930, in Honey Grove.
She was preceded in death by mother Zula Edna Wilson and sister Annie Hodges.
She is survived by daughters, Nancy Cowley Wilson of North Richland Hills, Pamela Ann Cowley Cooper of Grand Prairie, Donna Kay Cowley Brinlee of Irving, and Robin Lynn Cowley McKee of Irving; son, Richard Thomas Cowley Jr. of Bonham; brother and sister-in-law, L. C. and Jackie Woods of Fort Worth; 14 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.
Services were held Nov. 21 at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with burial at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Family requests memorials to the Irving Healthcare Foundation, P.O. Box 153705, Irving, TX. 75015-3705.
Frances Jeanette Cox

Frances Jeanette Cox, 67, an Irving resident since 1969, died Nov. 25 in Salado.
She was born Oct. 19, 1931, in Queen City.
Survivors include her daughter and son-in-law, Charlotte and Dale Douglass of Salado; her daughter, Felicia Cox of Dallas; her sister, Mozel Thomas of Atlanta; her grandchildren, Cliff Whittingstall of Clemson, S.C., Renee Whittingstall of San Marcos, Dustin Douglass of Killeen, and Sy Douglass, of Martindale.
Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Nov. 28, at Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home Chapel in Irving. Burial is in Courtland Cemetery in Atlanta.
Wayne Crabb

Wayne Crabb, formerly of Irving, died March 23 at his Emory home. He was 68.

He was born Feb. 11, 1930, in Greenville.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy, also of Emory; son Randy Crabb of Red Oak; daughter, Terri Lynn Lambert of Cooper; brother, James Crabb of Mount Pleasant; sisters, Peggy Knott of Irving and Shirley Gregory of Quinlan; grandchildren, Trey Lambert, John Lambert, Brandon and DeAnn Crabb; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held March 26 at Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home. Burial followed at Elm Cemetery in Emory.

Family suggests memorials to East Texas Hospice, 3800 Paluxy, No. 560, Tyler, TX. 75703.
William Creed

William "Bill" Creed, 79, of Irving died Dec. 27 in Irving.
Born Feb. 12, 1919, in Altus, Okla., he was a 44-year resident of
Irving who retired in 1981 after 30 years in sales for Block Drug of
Jersey City, N.J. A U.S. Army Air Corps veteran of World War II, he
was a member of MacArthur Boulevard Baptist Church.

Survivors
include his wife,
Evelyn Creed of
Irving; his son
and daughter-in-
law, Chuck
Creed of
Coppell; his
daughters, Beth
Gwinn of
Irving, and
Cynthia Hunt of
Arvada, Colo.;
his brother, Wayne Creed of Altus,
Okla.; his sister, Marietta Pilger of
Warren, Ohio; his daughter-in-law,
Dorothy Creed of Coppell; his son-
ine-law, Gerry Hunt of Arvada,
Colo.; seven grandchildren; and
five great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted
Wednesday, Dec. 30, at MacArthur
Boulevard Baptist Church with the
Gerald Smith officiating. Burial is
in Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Memorials may be made to
Gideons International, P.O. Box
170395, Irving, TX 75017.

Arrangements were coordinat-
ed by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral
Home.
Lola Dean Cress

Lola Dean Cress, 74, of Irving, died Dec. 11 in La Jolla, Calif.

Born Feb. 7, 1924, in Tuxedo, to Dean and Allie Barnett McKennon, she was a homemaker and very active in church activities. She married Bill Cress on May 23, 1953, in Seymour.

Survivors include: her husband; sons, John Moore of Irving and David Cress of Irving; daughters, Judy Cummings of San Diego, Calif., Liz Nelson of Dallas and Beverly Cuningham of Irving; her mother; sister Florence Edwards of Nimrod, Ark; 11 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial services were conducted Saturday, Dec. 19, at Jehovah's Witnesses Kingdom Hall in Irving.

Arrangements were coordinated by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.
Roy Roger Cribb

Roy Roger Cribb of Irving died Sept. 6.


Services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Sept. 10 at Sherwoodpark Baptist Church in Irving with the Revs. Clemens and Dale Parkhill officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements by Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home.
Born Dec. 25, 1937, in Naples, she had been a resident of Irving since 1957, and she was an administrative coordinator of the legal department of Lone Star Gas Co., where she had been employed for the past 40 years.

She is survived by her husband, M.J. Crouch of Irving; daughter, Debbie Ruche of Irving; son, James B. Crouch of Irving; father, Noble Roberts of Naples; brother, Mike Roberts of Naples; and many nieces and nephews.

Services were held May 22 at Chism and Smith Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens in Irving.
Walter L. Crow

Walter L. Crow died Sept. 22 at a Sulphur Spring nursing home. He was 83.

Born Dec. 10, 1914, in Winnsboro, the son of James Edward and Mary Frances (White) Crow, he was a retired machinist employed by Rockwell Manufacturing Co. He was also a member of the League Street Church of Christ.

He married Robbie Poor June 3, 1934, in the Greenwood Community of Hopkins County.

He was preceded in death by his wife; brother, William Lee Crow.

He is survived by daughter, Jan and her husband Bill Collard of Irving; sister, Hallie and her husband Marvin Collins of Winnsboro; sister, Evelyn Parker of Sulphur Springs; grandchildren, Gary Collard of Irving and Lori McGill of Garland; great-grandchildren, Kevin and Kiernan McGill, and John and Jeffrey Collard.
Rev. Horace Crowder

Horace Crowder of Irving died March 8 in Irving. He was 65.

He was a minister to senior adults at Plymouth Park Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Eva of Irving; daughters, Cindy Harvey of Corsicana, Brenda and son-in-law, Pat Culver of Phoenix, Ariz., and Vonda and son-in-law, Terry Self of Irving; grandchildren, Steven Christensen, Katie Culver, Joshua Self and Jacob Self; mother, Mary L. Crowder of Mable Falls; sister, Renee' Sciacca of Santa Barbara, Calif.; and brother, David Crowder of Aledo.

Services were held March 10 at Plymouth Park Baptist Church with the Rev. Ken Branum officiating. Burial followed at Laurel Land Cemetery in Dallas.

Family requests donations be made to Horace Crowder Memorial Scholarship Fund c/o Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, P.O. Box 22000 Fort Worth, Texas 76122.
He is survived by his mother, Marvyn and Lucille Prater, his father, and grandparents, Donald and Evelyn Culver. He was preceded in death by his aunt and uncle, Mildred (Prater) Culver, he was a member of Plymouth Park Baptist Church, a member of the son of Charles A. Culver and Wayne Culver. He was also a college student. He was a student at the University of Ohio.

Born April 22, 1975, in Irving, Texas, he died May 8 at an Irving hospital. "Brethren, Keith Culver of Irving, terminals..."