Billy Ray Lambert

Billy Ray Lambert, 63, of Irving died Jan. 21.

Born Feb. 4, 1934, in Vanoss, Okla., he was a retired supervisor for a concrete-pipe company.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret Lambert of Irving; his mother, Eva Hoipkemier; his son, Ricky Lambert of Irving; his daughters and sons-in-law, Mickey and Monty Bouldin of Irving, and Tina and Steve Burrows of Roff, Okla.; his brother, Lloyd Lambert of Irving; his sister, Virgie Cotton of Pampa; and five grandchildren.

Services were conducted Jan. 24 at Shady Grove Cemetery with the Rev. Mario Parga officiating. Arrangements were coordinated by Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home.
Billie Lawrence

Billie Lawrence of Irving died Jan. 11 in Irving. He was 91.

Born Feb. 27, 1906, in Bridgeport, Mr. Lawrence was a longtime Irving resident and a retired cabinetmaker.

He is survived by his wife, Oma Lawrence of Irving; daughter, Sandy Tiffee of Irving; son, Bill Lawrence; granddaughters, Shere Avrett of Whitewright, and Jamie Perry of Arlington; five great-grandchildren; and sisters, Topsy Kirby of Grand Prairie, Mary Stewart of San Antonio, and Lois Mobley of Grand Prairie.

Services were held Jan. 14 at Chism-Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. Clyde T. Boyd officiating. Interment followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Billie Ruth Lawrence

Billie Ruth Lawrence of Irving
died Feb. 18 in Irving. He was 74.
Lawrence was born Oct. 29, 1923,
at Dawson. He worked as a shop
instructor for the Dallas and Irving
ISDs and was a Navy veteran.
He is survived by his wife, Anita
B. Lawrence; two sons, William R.
Lawrence of Irving, and Donald
Lawrence of Plano; a sister, Jo Delle
Nesmith of Dawson; a brother Bobbie
Lynn Lawrence of Lufkin; and four
grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Feb. 21
at Irving North Christian Church with
the Rev. John Burton officiating.
Burial followed at Oak Grove
Memorial Gardens in Irving.
Arrangements made by Brown's
Memorial Funeral Home.
William Oscar Lauer

William Oscar Lauer died Oct. 7 at an Irving hospital. He was 81.

Born Nov. 9, 1916, in Germany, he was a resident of Irving since 1982, and he was also a retired machine operator for Delco.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ethel Imojean Lauer.

He is survived by daughters, Norma Hughes, Marilyn Dooley, and Barbara Boone, all of Irving, Sheale Simpson of Dayton, Ohio, and Jennifer Jesttes of Tyler; sons, Phillip Lauer, Michael Lauer and Mark Lauer, all of Irving; 23 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and a brother, Joseph Lauer of Irving.

Services were held Oct. 9 at St. Luke's Catholic Church. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens in Irving with the Rev. Joseph Rivoire officiating.

Arrangements by Chism-Smith Funeral Home.
Betty Jo Leatherbury

Betty Jo Leatherbury, a 35-year Irving resident, died Oct. 4 in an Irving nursing home. She was 70.

Born April 23, 1928, in Wichita Falls, the daughter of William A. and Anne (Ireland) Long, she retired in 1996, after 15 years as a manager at Thousand Oaks Mobile Home Park in Irving. She was also a member of the Calvary Temple in Irving.

She married Phineas Loyd Leatherbury March 10, 1945, in Fairfield, Calif.

She is survived by her husband; son, William L. Leatherbury of Davis, Okla.; daughters, Sherry Louise Caillet of Gordonville, and Janet Williams of Gordonville; niece, Stacy Weber of Irving; brother, Raymond Long of Irving; sisters, Mavis Donelson of Irving, and Helen Carver of Irving; nine grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Services were held Oct. 6 at Calvary Temple in Irving with the Rev. Edra Hudson officiating. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens in Irving.

Arrangements by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.
Arthur Joseph LeBrasseur

Arthur Joseph LeBrasseur died Jan. 25 in Dallas. He was 75. LeBrasseur was retired from the petroleum industry.

He is survived by two sons, Jerry LeBrasseur of Cloquet, Minn., and Dennis LeBrasseur of Hyde Point, N.C.; three daughters, Jean Delagarza of Irving, Bonnie Newton of Cloquet, and Kathy Smith of Fayetteville, N.C.; one brother, Donald Brasseur; two sisters, Lorraine Leppaco of Miami, and Margaret Sarine of Cloquet; 10 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted privately by the family.
R. G. Lemon

R. G. "Bob" Lemon of Irving died Aug. 28. He was 82.

Born Nov. 24, 1915, in Elliott, he was a member of the Baptist Benevolence Society and served as a deacon at Plymouth Park Baptist Church. He retired from Standard Manufacturing Co. after 32 years.

He was preceded in death by one son, one son-in-law and two brothers.


Funeral services were conducted Aug. 31 at Plymouth Park Baptist Church with the Rev. Ken Branam officiating. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements were made by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.
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The rev. Delmy Davis, senior pastor of St. John Baptist Church, did not return calls seeking comment on the allegations against Lenear or the man's suicide.

Bender and police say he began investigating Lenear on Aug. 18. After a woman reported Lenear had been involved in indecent sexual behavior with her son. The next day, Bender interviewed the youth, who gave a statement that Lenear engaged in sexual activity with him on July 17 at Lenear's apartment.

"After getting that statement and a statement from another witness, I got an arrest warrant for Mr. Lenear," Bender said.

Police tried to locate and arrest Lenear were unsuccessful. Last Tuesday night, Bender and other officers served a search warrant at Lenear's apartment. Lenear was not at the residence and evidence that Bender thought would link Lenear to the accusations against him appeared to have been removed.

"While we were there, Mr. Lenear's 16-year-old son came home," Bender said. "While I was interviewing him, he made an outcry and said he had been abused by his father for quite some time."

Bender said the first victim to make allegations against Lenear is a friend of Lenear's son.

There might be other victims, but no one else has come forward," he said.

With Lenear's death, police no longer will investigate the allegations against him.

"It's a horrific case," Bender said. "The most important thing to do now is follow up with child protective services on behalf of his 16-year-old son, especially with his father committing suicide, because that will leave an impact on him for the rest of his life."

Bender, a member of Grand Prairie's crimes against children unit for about three months and previously investigated sex-related cases in the crimes against persons unit for eight years, believes the department's latent-fingerprint investigator and evidence technician were responsible for Lenear's death.

"It was me and the man who is really the kidnap's girl," he said of a man who called him and asked him to come inside and talk to him. All I said was, 'I may be a maniac, but I'm not a child, and I'm not going to kill you with a shotgun.'"
Aaron Wayne Lindsey

Aaron Wayne Lindsey, infant son of Richard and Sandy Lindsey, of Irving, died Sept. 2 in Dallas.

He was born on March 22, 1998.

He is survived by his brother, Jonathon Gray, of Irving; sister Christy Owens, of Irving; grandparents, Rex and Susie Gray, of Seagoville, Richard and Carolyn Lung, of Duncanville; Betty Porter, of Winnsboro; greatgrandparents Odis and Elene Lindsey, of Irving, and Alma and Jack Davis of Dallas.

Services were held Sept. 5 at Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. David Lindsey officiating. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Grace L. List

Grace L. List of Irving died Oct. 4. She was 90.
She was born Feb. 27, 1908, in Marietta, Ohio.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Herbert E. List.
She is survived by daughter, Diane Harmon and her husband Bob of Irving; sons David List and his wife Debbie of Elmo, Edward List and his wife Sandy of Marshall, N.C. and Mark List of Weaverville, N.C. She is also survived by 12 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

Services are scheduled for 10 a.m. today at St. Luke’s Catholic Church with the Rev. Joseph Rivoire officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements by Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home.
Vernon Sherrell Locke

Vernon Sherrell Locke of Irving died April 11 in Dallas. He was 74.

Born Jan. 19, 1924, in McMinnville, Tenn., Locke was a veteran of the US Navy, serving in World War II, and a retired supervisor for Vicom Sign Manufacturing.

He is survived by his wife, Juanita Locke of Irving; daughters, Carolyn Bonin of Irving and Sharon Gaither of Mobile, Ala. and Lisa Ann Stevens of Carrollton; grandchildren, Luke Gaither Jr., Karen Gaither Lewis of Mobile, Ala., Monty Christopher House of Lewisville; great-grandchild, Hailey Lewis of Mobile, Ala.; and sister, Irene Hall of Seagoville.

Funeral services were held April 13 at Chism-Smith Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.
Antonia Flores Longoria

Antonia Flores Longoria of Irving died Aug. 12. She was 77. She was born March 20, 1921, in Dallas.

She is survived by 3 children, Israel Aguirre Jr. of Kaufman, Jose G. Longoria Jr. of Irving, and Juan P. Longoria of Irving; 4 grandchildren; and 3 great grandchildren. Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens with Rev. Dale Parkhill officiating.

Arrangements by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home of Irving.
Rusty Lee Looney

Rusty Lee Looney, son of Dusty Lee Looney and Danyalle Reynolds, both of Irving, was stillborn Aug. 22 at an Irving hospital.

Services were scheduled for Aug. 26 at Oak Grove memorial Gardens with the Rev. Ben Smith officiating.
Gonzalo Lopez

Born July 9, 1940, in Mendoza, Argentina, where he received his degree in medicine from the Universidad Nacional de Cuyo in 1965. A physician for 28 years at Baylor Medical Center at Irving, he was a Diplomate of the American Board of Anesthesiology, as well as a member of numerous national and local medical professional associations. He also was a member of the Catholic faith. He was preceded in death by his son, Jorge Luis Lopez; and his brother, Fernando Lopez.

Survivors include his wife, Azucena "Susy" Lopez; his mother, Joaquina Martin de Lopez; his brothers, Antonio Lopez and Jose Lopez; his sons, Carlos Lopez and Ruth Weinmann; his son and daughter-in-law, Alejandro Lopez and Shannon Colleen O’Hagan; his granddaughters, Madeleine Maurene O’Hagan Lopez and Emma Kathleen O’Hagan Lopez.

Services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 17, at Cistercian Abbey. Burial will be at Calvary Hill Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Susan G. Komen Foundation, 5005 LBJ Freeway, Suite 370, Dallas, TX 75244.

Arrangements were coordinated by Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home.
Ann W. Lowery

Ann W. Lowery died recently.

She was born Jan. 20, 1917, in Mckenzie, Ala. She retired after 27 years of service with Titche's. She was also a member of the First Covenant Church of Irving for 38 years and a resident of South Oak Cliff since 1948.

She was preceded in death by her husband, L.H. Lowery Sr.; son, Richard Lowery.

She is survived by her daughters, S. Dianne Armet and her husband, Mike Smithson of Anaheim, Calif., Rebecca E. Redding of Bakersfield, Calif., Nancy J. Nelson of Grand Prairie, Elizabeth A. Hohmann of Grand Prairie; son, L. Herchel Lowery Jr. of Allen; daughter-in-law, Nona Lowery of Carrizo Springs; sisters, Lucille Koontz of Kensington, Md., and Wilma Cherry of Austin; 17 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Services were held Sept. 21 at Lamar and Smith Funeral Home Chapel in Dallas. Burial followed at Laurel Land Memorial park.