Mat Adams

Mat Adams, 48, of Irving died Sept. 5 at his home after a sudden illness. Graveside services were Wednesday at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Arrangements were by Chism-Smith Funeral Home.

M. Adams was born Aug. 5, 1955, in Dallas. He had worked as a paint mixer in the auto industry for several years.

Survivors include his sister, Deborah Allen, and her husband, Jerry, of Livingston, Texas, and nieces, Wendy Deaton of Irving and Heather Deaton of Los Angeles.
Victoria Adams

ADAMS, VICTORIA "Vee" Adams, 91 of Irving, formerly of Sanford, ME and Lynnfield, MA, died Jan 8, 2003 at an Irving nursing home. Survived by daughter and son-in-law Joyce and Thomas Burhoe; grandchildren Karen Burhoe and Lisa Burhoe, all of Irving; brothers Gust Naum of Lakewood, NY, Byron Asteriades of Reno, NV and several nephews and nieces. Preceded in death by her husband Lamby Adams in 1980. Service 2 p.m., Saturday, Jan 18, 2003 at Donnelly's Colonial Chapel with burial at Oakdale Cemetery, Sanford, ME. The family will receive friends 7 to 9 p.m., Friday at the funeral home. Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home 606 W. Airport Frwy. (972) 579-1313 www.donnellyscolonial.com

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Victoria Adams

Victoria "Vee" Adams, 91, of Irving and formerly of Sanford, Maine, and Lynnfield, Mass., died Jan. 8 at an Irving nursing home. Services were Saturday at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home with burial at Oakdale Cemetery in Sanford, Maine.

Ms. Adams was born April 12, 1911, in Romania. She was a homemaker and a member of Congregational North Parish in Sanford.

Survivors include her daughter, Joyce Burhoe of Irving; brothers Gust Naum of Lakewood, N.Y., and Byron Asteriades of Reno, Nev.; two grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.
Dorothy Adamson

Dorothy E. Adamson, 76, of Irving, died Wednesday at Baylor Medical Center at Irving. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home, 606 W. Airport Freeway, with burial at noon at Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery, 2000 Mountain Creek Parkway.

Ms. Adamson was born July 23, 1926, in Buenos Aires, Argentina. She was a secretary for the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Dallas for five years. She also was a homemaker. She served on the Altar Guild at St. Mark’s Episcopal Church in Irving.

Survivors include her husband, Don Adamson of Irving; son, Joe Adamson of Irving; one sister-in-law; and three nephews.
Adelmann, Eleanore Elizabeth

Adelmann, ELEANORE ELIZABETH Our beloved wife, mother and friend went to be with the Lord on October 13, 2003 after a valiant struggle with cancer. If you knew Eleanore, you loved her. Her joy was doing for others, for both family members and any other person who needed her. Eleanore was born January 5, 1936 in Philadelphia, PA to Julius and Wilma Slow. She lived in Irving for 20 years. She was an active member of St. Luke Catholic Church where she participated in Catholic Daughters of America and the St. Vincent de Paul Society. She loved to spend time with her family especially her grandchildren. She is survived by her beloved husband, Louis, of 48 years, six sons, four daughters and twenty grandchildren. Rosary will be recited at 7:00 PM on Wednesday October 15 and the Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 AM on Thursday. Both will be held at St. Luke Catholic Church in Irving, TX. Interment will follow at Calvary Hill Cemetery. A scholarship in Eleanores name will be established for tuition assistance at St. Luke School. In lieu of flowers, please send memorials to the Eleanore Adelmann Scholarship Fund, 1023 Schulze Dr., Irving, TX 75060. Brown's Memorial Funeral Home 707 N. MacArthur Blvd. Irving (972) 254-4242 Published in the Dallas Morning News from 10/14/2003 - 10/15/2003.

Eleanore Adelmann

Eleanore Elizabeth Adelmann, 67, of Irving died Monday after a battle with cancer. A funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Luke's Catholic Church, 202 S. MacArthur Blvd., with burial at Calvary Hill Cemetery, 3235 Lombardy Lane in Dallas.

Arrangements are by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home, 707 N. MacArthur Blvd.

Ms. Adelmann was born Jan. 5, 1936, in Philadelphia. She lived in Irving for 20 years. She was a member of St. Luke's Catholic Church, the Catholic Daughters of America and the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Survivors include her husband, Louis Adelmann of Irving; six sons; four daughters; and 20 grandchildren.

A scholarship in Ms. Adelmann's name will be established for tuition assistance at St. Luke's Catholic School. Memorials may be made to the Eleanore Adelmann Scholarship Fund, 1023 Schulze Drive, Irving, TX 75060.
Adkins, Mrs. Alvis "Bobo" Aug. 10, 1908 - Sept. 8, 2003 Graveside Services for Mrs. Alvis "Bobo" Adkins, 95, of Bryan, formerly of Irving, will be held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday at Oak Grove Cemetery in Irving, Texas. Mrs. Adkins is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Bob Allen of Bryan, TX. Memorial Funeral Chapel Bryan, Texas (979) 823-8125
AGUERO, ALCARIO C. Rosary will be recited at 6:00 P.M. Sunday at Sparkman/Crane Chapel. The Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 A.M., Monday (9/29/03) at St. Pius X Catholic Church. Dignity Memorial Sparkman Crane 10501 Garland Rd. Dallas (214) 327-8291
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Gloria Jean Akin

Gloria Jean Akin, 76, of Venus and formerly of Irving, died Tuesday in Fort Worth. Services were Friday at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home with burial at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Ms. Akin was born June 15, 1926, in Dallas. She was a member of First Christian Church.

Survivors include her daughter Suzanne Mills of Venus; adopted sister Joyce Lloyd of Irving; two grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

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Gloria Jean Akin
Akin, GLORIA JEAN of Venus, formerly of Irving passed away January 7, 2003 in Ft. Worth. She was born on June 15, 1926 in Dallas, Texas. She was a member of The First Christian Church. Preceded in death by husband, Bobby Akin in 2001; survivors include daughter and son-in-law Suzanne and Alex Mills of Venus, Texas; adopted sister Joyce Lloyd of Irving; ex-son-in-law Brian Whittal of Venus, Texas; grandchildren Amanda Whittal of Frisco, Brianne Whittal of Venus; great-grandchild Byron Jimmerson of Frisco, Texas; and many family members and close friends. The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 PM on Thursday, January 9, 2003 at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Friday, January 10, 2003 at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Brown's Memorial Funeral Home 707 N. MacArthur Blvd. Irving (972) 254-4242
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Modelle Akin

Modelle "Nana" Akin, 78, of Irving died Monday at Baylor Medical Center at Irving. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to noon Thursday at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home, 606 W. Airport Freeway. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. Thursday at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens, 1413 E. Irving Blvd.

Ms. Akin was born March 28, 1924, in Olney, Texas. She was a floral designer for Michael's in Grapevine for six years. She was a member of South MacArthur Church of Christ.

Survivors include her son, Fred Akin of Harlingen, Texas; daughter, Kathy Boyd of Poolville; brother, E.B. Gray of Clifton, Texas; sisters, Genelle Pyle of Allen and Doris Waters of Austin; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association, 1615 Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, TX 75207; or South MacArthur Church of Christ, 1401 S. MacArthur Blvd., Irving, TX 75060.
Edwin Allen

Edwin Lynn Allen, 46, of Irving died Sunday at his home after a long illness. Services were Wednesday at Chism-Smith Funeral Home with burial at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Allen was born May 23, 1957, in Ryan, Okla. He had worked as a truck driver in the rock and steel industry before his illness forced him into early retirement.

Survivors include his wife, Pamela Allen of Irving; father, Jack Allen of Dallas; mother, Patsy Scarbough of Sherman; son, Edwin Allen Jr. of Grand Prairie; daughters, Audry Allen of Grand Prairie and Shannon Allen and Elizabeth Allen, both of Colorado Springs; sisters, Pamela Lee of Irving, Vickey Allen of Sherman and Crystal Hicks of Pottsboro, Texas.
Mary Elizabeth Allman-Schram

ALLMAN-, SCHRAM MARY ELIZABETH born September 18, 1918 in Waurika, Oklahoma passed away January 27, 2003 in Irving. She was a member of St. Luke's Catholic Church in Irving since 1961 and was a member of the St. Luke's Altar Society. She will be remembered as a loving wife, mother and grandmother. She enjoyed cooking, loved to travel, camp and work in the garden. Her favorite place to be was Breckenridge, Colorado. Preceded in death by parents Margaret Rausch Allman and George Allman, daughter Karen Ann Schram and brother Donald C. Allman; survivors include husband of 59 years Al F. Schram, Sr. of Irving; sons, Alfred F. Schram, Jr. of Irving; Raymond Victor Schram of Durant, Oklahoma, daughter Margaret Elaine Hodgkins of Denison; grandchildren Kerry Anne Hodgkins of Anchorage, Alaska; Sean Michael Hodgkins of Denison, Texas. Rosary to be held at 7:00 PM on Thursday at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral Mass to be held at 10:00 AM on Friday, January 31st at St. Luke's Catholic Church with father Adian O'Donovan officiating. Entombment to follow at Calvary Hill Cemetery in Dallas. Brown's Memorial Funeral Home 707 N. MacArthur Blvd. Irving (972) 254-4242

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Althoff, Pauline

ALTHOFF, PAULINE of Irving passed away Friday December 19, 2003. She was born on April 15, 1912 in Irving, TX. She was a member of the First Baptist Church for 63 years and a member of the Eastern Star. Survived by daughters Patsy Alcorn, Nancy Benson, Vicki Haines; brothers Charlie Miliara, Joe Miliara and sister Mary Lee Drasil; 5 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. Funeral services will be held 2:00 PM Monday December 22 at the First Baptist Chapel in Irving with interment to follow at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be held 6-8 PM Sunday December 21 at Browns Memorial Funeral Home. Family requests memorials be made to the First Baptist Church Building Fund. Brown's Memorial Funeral Home 707 N. MacArthur Blvd. Irving (972) 254-4242

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Milton William Altom

ALTOM, MILTON WILLIAM, age 83, of Aubrey, formerly Irving, died Saturday, March 8, 2003 in Grand Saline. Born Nov. 25, 1919 at Stamps, he was employed by T.D.I. of Dallas for over 25 years. He was a member of Midway Baptist Church in Aubrey. Survivors include sisters, Mozelle Freeman and Bobbie Ruth Willhelm of Irving; brother, James Altom of Emory; step-daughter, Rita Jo Adkinson of Arkansas; step-grandchildren, Jerry Taylor of Virginia, and Kelly Copeland of Missouri; six step-great grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m. Tuesday at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel. Burial at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Rev. John Theisen will officiate. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Monday. Memorials may be made to Midway Baptist Church Building Fund, Aubrey, Texas. Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home 606 W. Airport Frwy. (972) 579-1313 www.donnellyscolonial.com
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Milton Altom

Milton William Altom, 83, of Aubrey and formerly of Irving died Saturday in Grand Saline, Texas. Services were Tuesday at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home with burial at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Altom was born Nov. 25, 1919, in Stamps, Ark. He worked for TDI of Dallas for more than 25 years. He was a member of Midway Baptist Church in Aubrey, Texas.

Survivors include his sisters, Mozelle Freeman and Bobbie Ruth Willhelm, both of Irving; brother, James Altom of Emory, Texas; stepdaughter, Rita Jo Adkinson of Arkansas; two step-grandchildren; and six great-step-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Midway Baptist Church Building Fund in Aubrey.
David Anderson

David Strother Anderson, 70, of Maple Grove Township, Mich., died Saturday in Michigan. Visitations will be from 5 to 9 p.m. Thursday at Royal Funeral Home in Battle Creek, Mich. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Royal Funeral Home with burial at Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mr. Anderson was born March 30, 1933, in Battle Creek. He had worked for the U.S. Postal Service and for General Motors in Lansing. He raised registered Black Angus cattle on his ranch.

Survivors include his children, John Anderson of Holland, Mich., Peter Anderson of Grand Rapids and Sandra Anderson of Bellingham, Wash.; stepchildren, Janine Barham of Scottsboro, Ala., Lyn Stamler of Irving, Marty Stamler Jr. of Riverdale, Md., Diane McAteer-Martin of Tuscaloosa, Ala., and Suzette Cuccurullo of Carlsbad, Calif.; sisters, Joanne Throckmorton and Janice Tackett, both of Battle Creek; one grandson; and three step-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association.
Louise Anderson

Dorothy Louise Manby Anderson, 67, of Irving died Wednesday in Dallas. A memorial service will be at 6 p.m. Monday at First United Methodist Church of Irving, 211 W. Third St. Arrangements are by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.

Ms. Anderson was born July 12, 1936, in Norfolk, Va. She and her family moved to Irving more than 20 years ago. After retiring as a technical writer, Ms. Anderson worked as a volunteer for many groups in Irving. She served on the Irving Parks Board, Irving Veterans Memorial Park Board, Keep Irving Beautiful Board and the Irving Preservation and Redevelopment Board. She was a member of the Irving Republican Club, chairwoman of Irving's Adopt-a-Spot program and president of Espanita Homeowners Association.

Ms. Anderson received Irving's High Spirited Citizen Award and the Keep Irving Beautiful Volunteer of the Year Award.

Survivors include her husband, David Carroll Anderson of Irving; children, David Carroll Anderson Jr. and wife Susan of DeLand, Fla., Laura Louise Manby Anderson and husband Ronald Wayne Turner of Irving, and Lance Dalton Anderson and wife Sherry of Irving; sister, Joyce Jones of Virginia Beach, Va.; niece, Melissa Sue Kohut of Irving; and five grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Irving Veterans Memorial Park, 845 W. Irving Blvd., Irving, Texas 75060.

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R. E. Anderson

ANDERSON, R. E. "Gene", 95, a resident of Heartstone Assisted Living in Irving, formerly of Oak Cliff, born February 8, 1908 in Cleburne, Texas, went to be with his Lord on June 15, 2003. A traveling salesman for five major gun companies in seven states, he was a member of Calvary Baptist Church of Oak Cliff. Survived by daughter, Barbara Jean Clemens and her husband, Moody G. Clemens of Irving; grandchildren, Danny Clemens and wife, Janet of Irving, Don Clemens and wife, Diane of Flower Mound; four great grandchildren, Kara, Dani, Jacob, and Stephanie; brother, Ollie Anderson of Rogersville, Alabama. Funeral service will be 10:00 a.m. Thursday at Donnelly's Colonial Chapel. Graveside service will be at noon Thursday at Wheatland Cemetery. Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home 606 W. Airport Frewy. (972) 579-1313 www.donnellyscolonia.com Published in the Dallas Morning News on 6/19/2003.

R.E. "Gene" Anderson
1908 - 2003

R. E. "Gene" Anderson, 95, a resident of Hearthstone Assisted Living in Irving, born February 8, 1908 in Cleburne, Texas, went to be with his Lord on June 15, 2003. A traveling salesman for five major gun companies in seven states, he was a member of Calvary Baptist Church of Oak Cliff. Preceded in death by his parents, Rollie and Georgia Anderson, and brothers, Ernest and Ira, he is survived by daughter, Barbara Jean Clemens and her husband, Moody G. Clemens of Irving; grandchildren, Danny Clemens and wife, Janet of Irving, Don Clemens and wife, Diane of Flower Mound; four great grandchildren, Kara, Dani, Jacob, and Stephanie; brother, Ollie Anderson of Rogersville, Alabama. The family will receive friends at the funeral home 6:00-8:00 p.m. Wednesday. Funeral Service will be 10:00 a.m. Thursday at Donnelly’s Colonial Chapel. Graveside service will be at noon Thursday at Wheatland Cemetery.

Thursday, June 19, 2003

R.E. "Gene" Anderson, 95, a resident of Hearthstone Assisted Living in Irving, died Sunday. Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home, 606 W. Airport Freeway, with a graveside service at noon at Wheatland Cemetery.

Mr. Anderson was born Feb. 8, 1908, in Cleburne, Texas. He was a traveling salesman for five major gun companies in seven states. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Oak Cliff.

Survivors include his daughter and son-in-law, Barbara Jean Clemens and Moody Clemens of Irving; brother Ollie Anderson of Rogersville, Ala.; two grandsons; and four great-grandchildren.

ANDREW, MADELINE LOVE of Irving passed away December 7, 2003 at the age of 95. She was born on September 2, 1908 in Dallas. She is preceded in death by her husband of 49 years, Bruce Andrew, whom she met while in Canada after her mothers death. She lived the Depression years as a pioneer woman in Canada. She had two children while living in Canada, son Garfield and daughter Eleanor. She then moved with her family to Irving, Texas where she worked at the Defense Factory in Grand Prairie during World War II. After the war, she had two more children, Margaret and Carole. Madeline was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Irving, a member of the Irving PTA. She was a member of Bona Fide, Eastern Star, Garden Club, and The Book Club. She also worked for Sanger Harris. She is survived by her son James Andrew Garfield; daughters Eleanor Stringer; Margaret Montgomery and Carole Brown; 4 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. Memorial services will be held at 10:30 AM Saturday, December 13, 2003 at First Presbyterian Church in Irving. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to First Presbyterian Church at 510 E. Irving Boulevard, Irving, TX 75060. Brown's Memorial Funeral Home 707 N. MacArthur Blvd. Irving (972) 254-4242

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Irene Arancibia

Irene Arancibia, 48, of Irving died Sept. 7 in Dallas. A funeral Mass was Friday at St. Luke's Catholic Church with burial at Southland Cemetery in Grand Prairie. Arrangements were by Calvary Funeral Home.

Mrs. Arancibia was born Jun 27, 1955, in Argentina. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her son, Victor Vazquez of Irving; daughter, Cecilia Vazquez of Atlanta, Ga.; parents, Seferino and Louis Arancibia of Argentina; and four grandchildren.
Patricia Ard

Patricia Jane Ard, 58, of Grand Prairie and formerly of Irving, died July 3 in Arlington after a sudden illness. Services were Wednesday at Chism-Smith Funeral Home with burial at Bear Creek Cemetery.

Ms. Ard was born May 29, 1945, in Houston.

Survivors include her mother, Mary Cochran of Houston; daughters, Mary Mosher of Grand Prairie, Annie Self of Mesquite and Tammy Rogers of Fort Worth; son, Joe Ard Jr. of Dallas; brother, Charles Cochran of Houston; seven grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.
**Brenda P. Ashton**

Ashton, BRENDA P. beloved by any who met her. Born February 15, 1959 died February 12, 2003 after a valiant fight against breast cancer. Irving was always home no matter where she lived. She is survived by sister and brother-in-law Patricia and John Vrla, sister Traci Parks, numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, many, many friends, 2 dogs and beanie babies. She was an avid Dallas Cowboy's fan and boot scooter, who never met a stranger and always made us laugh. She will be sorely missed by all because of her charming personality and zest for life. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you have a mammogram, give a mammogram or make a donation to the Susan Komen Breast Cancer Research Foundation. The family will receive friends from 10:00 AM to Noon at Miller-Miller Funeral Home in Boswell, Oklahoma. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, February 15th at Life Tabernacle Church in Boswell with Rev. Goodwin officiating. Interment will follow at Restland Cemetery in Boswell. **Brown's Memorial Funeral Home 707 N. MacArthur Blvd. Irving (972) 254-4242**

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**Brenda Ashton**

Brenda P. Ashton, 43, of Irving died Wednesday. Services were Saturday at Life Tabernacle Church in Boswell, Okla., with burial at Restland Cemetery in Boswell. Arrangements were by Miller and Miller Funeral Home.

Ms. Ashton was born Feb. 15, 1959, in Tularosa, N.M.

Survivors include her sisters, Patricia Vrla and Traci Parks, and several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, or the family requests people have a mammogram or provide funding for someone to have a mammogram.

**Sundays Feb 16, 2003**
Luise Asner

Luise Roessle Asner, 71, of Carbondale, Ill., and formerly of Navarre, Fla., and Irving, died Nov. 28 at Memorial Hospital of Carbondale. A memorial service will be at a later date at Ms. Asner’s home in Florida. Arrangements are by Meredith Funeral Home in Carbondale.

Ms. Asner was born Aug. 23, 1932, in Orange, N.J. She was a member of the American Association of University Women, the National Wildlife Federation and the National Abortion Rights Action League. After graduating from Montclair State Teacher’s College in New Jersey, she taught grade school in Modesto, Calif., and at American schools in Germany and Turkey. During the 1950s, she was employed by the U.S. government, working for U.S. military intelligence in Germany.

Survivors include her daughter and son-in-law, Kimberly K. Asner-Self and Brian Self of Carbondale; son and daughter-in-law, Marcus and Karen Asner of New York; brother, Fritz Roessle of Cresskill, N.J.; and four grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the American Association of University Women, the National Wildlife Federation or the National Abortion Rights Action League.
Mildred Atherton
1917 - 2003
Mildred Atherton, 86, died Monday, May 12, 2003, in Weatherford.

Graveside service: 11 a.m. Thursday in Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Memorials: American Cancer Society or Alzheimer's Association.

Mrs. Atherton was preceded in death by her husband, Paul Atherton, in 1989.

Survivors: Son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Fran Atherton of Parker County; daughter and son-in-law, Charlotte and Bud Cebell of Mineral Wells; grandchildren, Laura Briggs, Paula Cecil and Anne Atherton; and four great-grandchildren.

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Mildred Atherton

Mildred Atherton, 86, of Weatherford and formerly of Irving, died Monday. She was born March 14, 1917, in Fort Worth. Graveside services were Thursday at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Arrangements were by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.

Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Fran Atherton of Parker County; daughter and son-in-law Charlotte and Bud Cebell of Mineral Wells; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.
Louis Wayne Austin Sr.

AUSTIN SR., LOUIS WAYNE departed this life peacefully on Jan. 25th, 2003 in Carrollton. He was born in Shreveport LA on Feb. 28th, 1933. He was raised in Forbing LA where his father, John Thomas Austin, ran a saw mill and his mother, Ina Mearl Austin was the post mistress for over 30 years. He graduated from Byrd High School in Shreveport LA. He was proceeded in death by his wife Joanne Austin. He is survived by his three children: Kathleen Barker of Pickton TX, Wayne Austin of Irving TX, and Susan Austin of Irving TX. Grandchildren: Audra, Julie, Trenton, James, and Landon. Graveside services will be held at Centuries Memorial Cemetery in Shreveport LA on Saturday Feb.1st at 1pm.

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John Ayers

John Rubert Ayers, 82, of Irving died Thursday. Services were Saturday at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home with burial at Laurel Land Cemetery.

Mr. Ayers was born Dec. 2, 1920, in Dew, Texas. He was a U.S. Army veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Frances Ayers of Irving; children, Judy Campbell of Garland, Joyce Mardis of Monroe, La., and Janet Odom of Foreman, Ark.; brothers, Byron Ayers of Mesa, Ariz., Keith Ayers of Malakoff, Texas, and Darry Zoe Ayers of Dew; eight grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.