Faber, Alan

FABER, ALAN FABER passed away suddenly Sunday at his residence in Irving. Alan was born in Dallas, TX on February 6, 1961. He was an honor graduate of Woodlawn High School in Baton Rouge, LA. He loved working on automobiles and was the Louisiana State Champion in the Chrysler Plymouth Trouble Shooting Contest. This won him a trip to compete in the national finals at Indianapolis, IN where he finished in fifth place. While there he got to drive the pace car for the upcoming 500 race for a lap around the track. Alan spent his working career mostly in the transmission repair business and in 1996, he and partner Henry Gutierrez opened All American Transmissions on Beltline Road in Irving.

Alan is survived by his parents Albert and Clara Faber of Irving; and six brothers and three sisters, Kyle and wife Karen of Lafayette, LA, Glenn and wife Dachelle of Longview, TX, Stephen and wife Regina of White Oak, TX, Charles of Lewisville, Gordon of Irving and Daniel and wife Maria of Dallas; sisters Beverly of Irving, Susan Freeman and husband James of Kilgore, TX and Linda Platt and husband Rob of Longview, TX. He is also survived by several aunts, uncles and cousins, numerous nieces and nephews, and business partner and best friend Henry Gutierrez. Rosary and a following Mass will be held at 10 am Thursday, July 31, at the Mausoleum Chapel of Calvary Hill, followed by burial at Calvary Hill Cemetery. Celebrants will be Rev. J. Carl Vogel and Rev. Msgr. Jerome Duesman. Pallbearers will be his brothers and partner Henry. Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home 606 W. Airport Frwy. (972) 579-1313 www.donnelyscolonial.com

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Alan Faber

Alan Faber, 42, of Irving died Sunday at his home. A rosary and Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Thursday at the Mausoleum Chapel of Calvary Hill Cemetery in Dallas followed by burial there. Arrangements are by Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home.

Mr. Faber was born Feb. 6, 1961, in Dallas. He was an honor graduate of Woodlawn High School in Baton Rouge, La. He worked on automobiles and was Louisiana state champion in the Chrysler Plymouth Trouble Shooting Contest. He won a trip to the national finals in Indianapolis, where he finished in fifth place.

He worked in the transmission repair business and opened All American Transmissions on Beltline Road in Irving in 1996 with partner Henry Gutierrez.

Survivors include his parents, Albert and Clara Faber of Irving; brothers, Kyle Faber of Lafayette, La., Glen Faber of Longview, Stephen Faber of White Oak, Texas, Charles Faber of Lewisville, Gordon Faber of Irving and Daniel Faber of Dallas; and sisters, Beverly Faber of Irving, Susan Freeman of Kilgore and Linda Platt of Longview.
Stephen Fadely

Stephen Thomas Fadely, 35, of Euless died Wednesday. Services were Saturday at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home with burial at Bear Creek Cemetery.

Mr. Fadely was born June 6, 1967, in Lafayette, Ind. He graduated from Alexandria Monroe High School and Indiana State University, where he was a member of Sigma Nu. He worked as a manager for Sam's Club throughout Indiana. He worked for American Airlines for five years, Allegiance Telecom in Dallas for two years and had recently started working for Southwest Airlines.

Survivors include his wife, Helen Fadely of Euless; son, William Fadely of Euless; parents, Bob and Mary Lou Fadely of Alexandria; and grandmother, Louise Lamb of Lafayette.

Memorials may be made to Make-a-Wish Foundation or the Asthma and Allergy Foundation.
Stephen Thomas Fadely

FADELY, STEPHEN THOMAS FADELY, 35 of Euless, died Feb 5, 2003. A loving husband, best friend and wonderful father. He was so excited about the upcoming birth of his first daughter in April. He died of a rare auto-immune disease, Giant Cell Miocardosis. A graduate of Alexandria Monroe High School in Alexandria, IN, a 1990 graduate of Indiana State University and a member of Sigma Nu. He worked as a manager for Sams Club throughout Indiana. His love for airplanes brought him to American Airlines in Dallas for five years. He took a short detour to Allegiance Telecom (Dallas) for two years before redirecting his flight pattern back on course to Southwest Airlines. Even though he was only with Southwest Airlines for five months, it was his dream job and dream employer. It took him "seven years" to get there, but it was his ultimate goal and he succeeded. Survived by his wife Helen Fadely and son William Fadely of Euless; parents Bob and Mary Lou Fadely of Alexandria, IN; grandmother Louise Lamb of Lafayette, IN; father and mother-in-law Albert and Lori Schaufelberger of Irving; several aunts, uncles, nephews and cousins. Family will receive friends 3 to 7 p.m., Friday at the funeral home. Service 11 a.m., Saturday, Feb 8, 2003 at Donnelly's Colonial Chapel. Rev. George Monaghan officiating. Interment to follow at Bear Creek Cemetery. Family requests memorials to Make a Wish Foundation or the Asthma and Allergy Foundation. Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home 606 W. Airport Fwy. (972) 579-1313 www.donnelyscolonial.com Published in the Dallas Morning News on 2/7/2003.
Paige Leann Fagan

FAGAN, PAIGE LEANN "PRINCESS" PAIGE, age 3, went to the safe arms of Jesus Tuesday Sept. 23, 2003. She fought many brave battles with brain/spine cancer for over 2 years. Now, in heaven, she can finally "run, jump, & play". Born in Topeka Kansas on November 18, 1999, the happiest day of her parents lives. She is survived by her father, Chris Fagan of Salina, Ks., & mother, Tammy Morris (O’Dell) of Dallas, Tx, Grandparents: Rick & Tonda Rubino of Dls, Tx., Curtis O’Dell, Jr.of St. John, Ks, Roger & Dana Fagan of Salina, Ks., Dee Dee Hoover of Salina, Ks. Greatgrandparents: Curtis & Ruby O’Dell Sr. of St. John, Ks., Dale & Phylis Hoover of Salina, Ks., & Junior & Chris Miner of Garber, Ok., loving Aunts, Uncles, cousins, & many wonderful friends. In her short life of 3 yrs. & 10 mos. she has given & received more love than most people know in a lifetime. She quickly won the hearts of anyone who gazed into those crystal blue eyes & witnessed that "heart melting cheesy smile". She will live on in our hearts & memories until we join her in heaven. Memorial services with a fellowship lunch will be held on Saturday, September 27 10:00 am at the Methodist Church, Nickerson, Ks. with the Reverend Linda Toms (great aunt) officiating the service. North Dallas Funeral Home
Family Owned and Operated 2710 Valley View Lane Dallas Texas 972-241-9100
www.dallascremations-funerals.com
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Fain, Vera Marie

FAIN, VERA MARIE devoted mother and homemaker died peacefully surrounded by her family at her home on June 1, 2003 in Grapevine, Texas. She was born in Jones County on May 19, 1926 to Charlie and Bertha Gregory. Marie married Johnnie Leroy Fain on July 14, 1945 and lived in Irving for 50 years. They were members at Sherwood Park Baptist Church from 1959 to 2001. They had two sons, Jerry and Jimmie. She was preceded in death by her husband Johnnie, sisters Ruby Scarborough and Doris Stanford and brother Don Gregory. She is survived by sons Jerry and wife Charlie of Southlake; Jimmie and wife Darlene of Grapevine. Grandchildren are Kenny, Meredith, Nicole, Christi and Jordan. Marie will be dearly missed by her friends and family. Services will be Tuesday, June 3rd at 1PM at Browns Memorial Funeral Home in Irving. Graveside services will follow at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. **Brown's Memorial Funeral Home 707 N. MacArthur Blvd. Irving (972) 254-4242**

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**Vera Marie Fain**

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Vera Marie Fain, devoted mother and homemaker, died peacefully, surrounded by her family at her home, on Sunday, June 1, 2003, in Grapevine.

Funeral: 1 p.m. Tuesday at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home in Irving. Graveside services will follow in Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Vera Marie Fain was born May 19, 1926, in Jones County. She married Johnnie Leroy Fain on July 14, 1945, and lived in Irving for 50 years. They were members of Sherwood Park Baptist Church from 1959 to 2001. They had two sons, Jerry and Jimmie. She was preceded in death by her husband, Johnnie; sisters, Ruby Scarborough and Doris Stanford; and brother, Don Gregory.

Marie will be dearly missed by her friends and family.

Survivors: Sons, Jerry and wife, Charlotte, of Southlake, Grapevine; grandchildren, Kenny, Meredith, Nicole, Christi

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**Vera Fain**

Vera Marie Fain, 77, of Grapevine died Sunday. Services were Tuesday at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home. Burial was at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Ms. Fain was born May 19, 1926, in Jones County, Texas. She lived in Irving for 50 years and was a member of Sherwood Park Baptist Church.

Survivors include her sons, Jerry Fain of Southlake and Jimmie Fain of Grapevine, and five grandchildren.
Sammy Farina

FARINA, SAMMY, 59 of Coppell went peacefully to be with his Lord on June 25, 2003. Born on June 18, 1944 in Dallas to Pete and Nancy Farina, he graduated from Irving High School and attended The University of Texas at Arlington. A life-long resident in the Dallas area he and his wife were members of St. Ann’s Catholic Church in Coppell. He served in the Army in the 519th Maintenance Battalion for 4 years. Sammy was recognized and respected throughout the car wash industry while accumulating over 33 years of experience in his field. Sammy touched the lives of many individuals by his unselfish nature and overcaring heart. Preceded in death by is mother Nancy Jo Farina. He is survived by his loving wife of 30 years, Glena Farina; father Pete Farina, sister Theresa Jo Purcell. He was a loving father to 3 children Jerald "Skipper" High; Craig Farina and Stacy "sister" Farina-Stewart. He was Popi to 9 grandchildren; 3 nephews and 2 nieces. The family will receive friends from 3 to 4 PM on Friday, June 27th at Holy Family Catholic Church in Irving. The Rosary will follow visitation at 4PM. The funeral Mass will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, June 28th at Holy Family Catholic Church with interment 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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Sammy Farina

FARINA, SAMMY, 59 of Coppell went peacefully to be with his Lord on June 25, 2003. Born on June 18, 1944 in Dallas to Pete and Nancy Farina, he graduated from Irving High School and attended The University of Texas at Arlington. A life-long resident in the Dallas area he and his wife were members of St. Ann's Catholic Church in Coppell. He served in the Army in the 519th Maintenance Battalion for 4 years. Sammy was recognized and respected throughout the car wash industry while accumulating over 33 years of experience in his field. Sammy touched the lives of many individuals by his unselfish nature and overcaring heart. Preceded in death by is mother Nancy Jo Farina. He is survived by his loving wife of 30 years, Glena Farina; father Pete Farina, sister Theresa Jo Purcell. He was a loving father to 3 children Jerald "Skipper" High; Craig Farina and Stacy "sister" Farina-Stewart. He was Popi to 9 grandchildren; 3 nephews and 2 nieces. The family will receive friends from 3 to 4 PM on Friday, June 27th at Holy Family Catholic Church in Irving. The Rosary will follow visitation at 4PM. The funeral Mass will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, June 28th at Holy Family Catholic Church with interment 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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Robert Farquhar

Robert “Bob” Farquhar, 74, of Irving died Wednesday. The family will receive visitors from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday at Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home, 707 N. MacArthur Blvd. Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery, 2000 Mountain Creek Parkway.

Mr. Farquhar was born Jan. 2, 1929, in Waco. He graduated from Fluvanna High School in 1947 and entered the naval service. He served aboard the USS Perkins, USS Neosho and USS Cadmus, retiring as chief petty officer in August 1969. He returned to Texas and lived in China Spring. He worked for C-Line Products in management until he retired. He then owned and operated the Dubl-R Hamburger in Waco. He volunteered with the China Spring Lions Club and was its president.

Survivors include his wife, Helen Farquhar of Irving; children, Nancy Thomas and Cindi Farquhar, both of Irving, Michael Farquhar of Dallas, Frank Farquhar of Tucson, Ariz., and Jenny Baxley of Havelock, N.C.; brother, Truss Farquhar; and nine grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Texas Lions Camp, P. O. Box 290247, Kerrville, Texas 78029.
Fast, James Allen

FAST, JAMES ALLEN, age 49, passed away December 29, 2003. He was born November 22, 1954, in Tampa, FL, to James M. and Betty Jo (Mize) Fast. James served his country in the U. S. Marines, and retired from the U.S. Postal Service. He was a member of the National Association of Postal Supervisors (NAPS). A resident of Royse City, TX, for 12 years, he attended the Church of Christ. James is survived by his wife: Sheila Fast of Royse City, TX; sons: Matthew Fast of Costa Mesa, CA, Joshua Miles of Irving, TX, Adam Miles of Saginaw, TX, Damien Miles & wife Catherine of Ft. Worth, TX, and William Miles of North Richland Hills, TX; daughters: Amy Fast of Irving, TX, and Desiree Henson of Greenville, TX; mother: Betty Fast Watson of Burnet, TX; father: James M. Fast of Lamar, MO; sister: JoAnn Fast Clark & husband Jerry of Royse City, TX; aunt: Dixie Phillips of Burnet, TX; father and mother in law: Lynn & Vernel Vantreese of Euless, TX; and 5 grandchildren. Funeral services will be held 10:00am, Saturday, January 3, 2004, at Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Chapel with Jerry Don Sanders officiating. The family will receive friends Friday evening at the funeral home from 6:00 to 8:00pm. Rest Haven Rockwall Chapel Rockwall 972-771-8641 Owned by the Cain Family

www.resthavenfuneral.com

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Ferguson, Lynn

FERGUSON, LYNN, 68, of Irving, died Oct. 26, 2003 at her home. Born March 18, 1935 in Houston, Texas, she graduated from Odessa High School, attended Texas Tech and was a building manager for PM Realty Group. Preceded in death by her daughter Leslie Lynn Ferguson in 1982. Survivors include her husband I. V. Ferguson; daughter Laurie Lee Yeamans of Dallas and brother Harold E. Busby, Jr., of Odessa. Visitation 5:00 to 8:00 p.m., Tuesday at the funeral home. Service 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, Oct. 29, 2003 at Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery, Lane A, 2000 Mountain Creek Parkway, Dallas. Chaplain Samantha Lyle officiating. Family requests memorials to the American Cancer Society in lieu of flowers. Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home 606 W. Airport Frwy. (972) 579-1313 www.donnellycolonial.com

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Lynn Ferguson

Lynn Ferguson, 68, of Irving died Sunday at her home. Services were Wednesday at Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery. Arrangements were by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.

Ms. Ferguson was born March 18, 1935, in Houston. She graduated from Odessa High School and attended Texas Tech University. She was a building manager for PM Realty Group.

Survivors include her husband, I.V. Ferguson; daughter, Laurie Lee Yeamans of Dallas; and brother, Harold E. Busby Jr. of Odessa.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.
FERGUSON, MARVIN B. born January 14, 1922 in Dallas, Texas passed away July 19, 2003 in Irving. Preceded in death by wife Lucille Ferguson in 1992; survivors include sons Mike Marshall and wife Angie of Colleyville; Ken White of Montana; daughter Deanna Delk and husband Louis of Dallas; brother Joe Ferguson of California; sister Ruth Kirby of Oklahoma; cousin Helen Williams of Mabank; grandchildren Michael Marshall, Jr.; Elizabeth Marshall; Samuel Marshall; Alex Rife; Michelle White; Norma Cron; Yvette Woods; 5 great-grandchildren and special friends Donna White; Sharon Dawson; Ofelia, Jose and Adrian Munoz. The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 PM on Tuesday, July 22nd at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, July 23, 2003 at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Paul Gilchrist officiating. Interment will follow at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Memorial donations may be made to The American Cancer Society in lieu of flowers. Brown's Memorial Funeral Home 707 N. MacArthur Blvd. Irving (972) 254-4242

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Marvin Ferguson

Marvin B. Ferguson, 81, of Irving died Saturday. Services were Wednesday at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home with burial at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Ferguson was born Jan. 14, 1922, in Dallas.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Mary Fergeson

Mary "Tony" Fergeson, 88, of Irving died Friday. Services were Monday at First Baptist Church of Irving and were followed by a graveside service at Fairview Cemetery in Gainesville, Texas. Arrangements were by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.

Ms. Fergeson was born Jan. 3, 1915, in Crawford, Kan. She was valedictorian of the class of 1931 at Chilton High School and attended Baylor College for Women in Belton, Texas. She worked as a bookkeeper for Albritton Engineering Corp. and for the Central Texas Air Conditioning Company in Bryan, Texas. For many years she was a Sunday school teacher in Ranger, Texarkana and Bryan.

In Irving, she taught the teacher training class for Plymouth Park Baptist Church and worked for the church's Homebound Department and Telephone Prayer Chain.

Survivors include her daughter, Lynda McQuaid of Chandler, Texas; sons, Bob Fergeson of Canton, Bill Fergeson of Irving and Charles Fergeson of Marquez, Texas; sisters, Mrs. Leslie Jones and Mrs. W.T. Allen; seven grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.
Ferris, Robert C.

Ferris, ROBERT C., age 69, passed away on Sunday, October 12, 2003 at his home in Arlington, Texas. "Bob" was born on Sept. 9, 1934 in Pine Bluff, Arkansas. He moved to Texas while growing up and has spent most of his life in the Dallas/Ft Worth Area. He was preceded in death by his loving mother and father, Robert and Ruby Ferris. Bob is survived by his devoted companion and best friend Sugar Ferris, loving father to Robert III and Michelle, brothers Stoney and Mark and their wives Judy and Kathleen. Nephews and their spouses, Michael and Gina, Todd and Misty. Niece Robin. There are several great nieces and nephews. He was also a special grandpa to (3) grandsons, Clint, Christopher, and Robert. Bob served 4 years in the Air Force in the 44th Fighter Interceptor Squad as a Jet Engine Mechanic. He was an avid outdoorsman who loved hunting and fishing. There are many memories as well as miles left on this great land and lakes on this earth by Bob Ferris. Bob enjoyed bringing smiles to all family and friends. He had a warm heart and will be missed by many, including his dog "Star Baby." A Memorial service will be held at 4:00 pm on Sunday - October 19, 2003 at the Rush Creek Christian Church in Arlington. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Bob Ferris Trust c/o Rush Creek Christian Church at 2401 Southwest Green Oaks Blvd Arlington Tx. 76017. All donations will be divided to the Texas Neurofibromatosis Foundation and the Rush Creek Church Kitchen Fund.

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Patriarch Fetui

Patriarch Gafaoa Fetui, 78, of Irving for three years and formerly of California, died Wednesday at home. The family will receive friends from 5 to 8 p.m. Monday at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home, 606 W. Airport Freeway. A service will be at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1553 S. Story Road in Irving, with burial at 2 p.m. at Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery, 2000 Mountain Creek Parkway.

Mr. Fetui was born Dec. 26, 1924, in American Samoa. He retired in 1979 as a sergeant in the U.S. Marine Corps after serving for 20 years. He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Survivors include his wife, Eleliva Fetui of Irving; children, Paul Fetui and Megan Hgahm, both of Irving, Patricia Fetui of Seattle, Wash., Gafaoa Fetui Jr. and Enoka Fetui, both of Hawaii, Leiue Fetui of Salt Lake City, Elia Fetui and Levi Fetui; sister, Fouaimalo Timoteo of Hawaii; brother, Taupulea Fetui of Hawaii; 24 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.
Shirley Fewell

Shirley Ann Fewell, 70, of Tyler and formerly of Irving died Sunday at a Tyler hospital. Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday 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. Fewell was born Oct. 14, 1932, in Dallas. She was a banking facility manager and a member of the Woods Baptist Church in Tyler.

Survivors include her husband, Bill Fewell of Tyler; mother, Hollis Surles of Tyler; sons, Brian Fewell of Lancaster and Alan Fewell of Houston; daughter, Karen Fowler of Fairfax, Va.; and seven grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to a charity of one's choice.
Fillmore, David

FILLMORE, DAVID, 41, of Irving, died Sept. 12, 2003 at a Dallas hospital. Born Sept. 3, 1962 in Irving, he was a sales representative for S.M.C. Corp. in Dallas, a Master Mason, a member of Masonic Lodge #1218 and a member at the First Baptist Church, Irving. Survived by his parents Robert and Carol Fillmore of Irving; sisters Cynthia Anne Moore of Windsor, MO and Janet F. Scott of Lake Charles, LA; several nieces and nephews; aunts and uncles Hollis and Raedell Weatherl of Owasso, OK and Susan and John Morrison of Victoria, TX. Visitation 6 to 8 p.m., Sunday at the funeral home. Service 11 a.m., Monday, 09/15/03 at the First Baptist Church of Irving. Rev. Lary Dorsey officiating. Burial to follow at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children or the Building Fund of First Baptist Church, 403 S. Main Street, Irving, TX 75060. Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home 606 W. Airport Frwy. (972) 579-1313 www.donnellyscolonial.com

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Fink, Johnnie L.

FINK, JOHNIE L. of Hillsboro passed away April 7, 2003. He was born on July 28, 1932 in Belleville, Arkansas. Preceded in death by parents Newt and Modene Fink; sons Johnny Edward Fink and Charles Lynn Fink. Survivors include wife, Joan Fink of Hillsboro; sons Keith Fink of Waxahachie; Kevin Fink of Hillsboro; step-children Eddie Cooley of Ft. Worth; Lori Anne Harris of Arlington; Rhonda Cooley of Chesapeake, Virginia; sister Vonie Sneed of Mesquite; brother and sister-in-law Maurice and Ruth Fink of Dardanelle, Arkansas; sister-in-law Eulean Fink of Desoto; brother-in-law Marshall Brown; 8 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be held at 1PM on Wednesday, April 9th at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Sidney Brandon and Rev. Benny Cheek officiating. Interment will follow at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens in Irving. Brown's Memorial Funeral Home 707 N. MacArthur Blvd. Irving (972) 254-4242

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Flagg, Meredith Lynn

FLAGG, MEREDITH LYNN was born June 3, 1987 in Dallas, Texas and passed away July 6, 2003 in Irving, Texas. She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Ted and Sarah Flagg and her brother, Michael Mayne. Meredith is survived by her father, Steven Flagg; mother, Susan Flagg; sister, Amy Clark; grandparents, Robert and Juanita Dils; uncle, Robert Dils, Jr.; aunts: Jo Vockey, Norma Dils, and Cindy Vicain; great aunt, Bonita Flagg; cousins: Ben, Karly, and Bailey Vockey and Jordan Vicain; and a host of friends including her beloved Jonathan. Meredith was going to be a Junior at Richardson High School next year. During her freshman year at Richardson West, Meredith was a cheerleader. Recently, she was selected as a member of the Richardson High School Eaglette Drill Team. For many years, Meredith studied dance at Arabesque and Tuzor Dance schools. A member of the youth group at First Presbyterian Church of Dallas, she was also active in the youth group at First United Methodist Church at Richardson during her membership. Meredith enjoyed many activities including horseback riding, piano, and gymnastics. Her fondest pastime was IM-ing her friends. Affectionately known as "MerMer" by her family, Meredith will be missed by all who knew her. A memorial service in Meredith's honor will be held 3:30 PM Thursday, July 10, 2003 at First Presbyterian Church of Dallas, 408 Park Ave. Dallas, TX 75201, with a reception immediately following. Family will receive friends from 6:00 until 8:00 PM Wednesday, July 9, 2003 at Restland Funeral Home. Restland 972-238-7111 restlandfuneralhome.com

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Friends say goodbye to Seth

The line of cars snaked slowly along East Carpenter Freeway. Two policemen stood in the steady rain directing drivers to other parking areas. The main parking lot was full so people had to park across the freeway and up the hill. Toting umbrellas, one person after another, many dressed in black, crossed the freeway and filed into the gymnasium.

The small gymnasium was overflowing with guests. They occupied every chair and lined the walls, four to five people deep. All wore sad faces and looks of disbelief. How could this happen? How could someone so special, so promising, so well liked, be gone?

More than 1,000 people came to Cistercian High School Monday to pay their respects to recent graduate Seth Henderson, who died after losing a five-week battle to overcome injuries from a car accident. It was amazing to see such an outpouring of love for a young man who lived only 18 short years. He touched everyone he met. And they all came to say goodbye.

A mother of one of Seth’s classmates said she learned that some of the mourners did not even know Seth, but had heard and read about him. Because he was a star athlete, Seth was in the newspaper often. And he had a brush with death about two years ago, cracking his skull in a basketball game.

One speaker at the funeral said that particular accident was a warning that Seth would not be with us long. Yet Seth, remarkably, recovered quickly from that injury. He was a fighter. One of his teachers, Tom Pruitt, wrote about Seth and “the unshakable poise, the strength of heart, the intensity of spirit, the hard tenacity with which he has always awed us, refusing to fold regardless of all formidable odds.” Others at the service spoke about his sincere humility, how no one disliked him, how he never said an unkind word about anyone.

The unassuming student (he had just started a summer session at the University of Texas, where he hoped to walk on for the football team) held on and struggled for five weeks after being thrown from a vehicle on July 26. Of course, he didn’t want to let his family and friends down. How could he let this tragedy make others sad? Seth made everyone happy.

Everyone wanted to know about Seth, so his family set up a hot line to help with the deluge of calls. His oldest brother, Tucker Henderson, bravely gave updates and detailed descriptions of Seth’s condition on the hot line. Once, about two weeks after the accident, the hot line reported that Seth had passed away. Doctors reported no brain activity and arrangements were under way to donate his organs.

But Seth decided to give everyone a miracle. Doctors were baffled, but his brain somehow showed activity. He was still fighting and not ready to go. He was still in critical condition, but he gave doctors, family and friends some hope.

One of the people who delivered a eulogy said Seth knew the Cistercian gym, which was being refurbished, would not be ready if he let go just yet. He wanted a service at the school he loved, so he waited. And then, just a few days after the gym was finished, Seth let go.

So everyone was able to attend his funeral in the place so dear to his heart. To the side of the altar, under soft light, Seth gazed at the crowd from a framed photo. Maybe even he was amazed by such tremendous support. He would probably say he didn’t deserve such attention.

But he did.

Deborah Fleck is an Irving Morning News staff writer.
Helen Fleming

Helen Louise Fleming, 75, of Irving died Sunday. Graveside services were Wednesday at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Arrangements were by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.

Ms. Fleming was born April 7, 1927, in Dallas.

Survivors include her son, William Fleming Jr. of Irving; sister, Daisy Thomas of Irving; brothers, Horace Self of Flower Mound, Grady Self of Malakoff, Texas, Frank Self of Irving and Billy Self; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.
Jessenia Flores

Jessenia Flores, 22 months, of Irving died Monday. She was born May 27, 2001, in Irving.

Graveside services were Wednesday at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Arrangements were by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.

Survivors include her parents, Sabino Flores and Maria Marquez, both of Irving; sister, Isabel Flores of Irving; and grandparents, Josephina and Nativida Medrano.
Julian Flores

Julian Edward Flores, 42, of Abilene died Friday. Services were Wednesday at Calvary Funeral Home with burial at Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery.

Mr. Flores was born Nov. 10, 1961, in Dallas. He worked as a roofer in Abilene. He was a U.S. Army veteran and a member of Iglesia de Cristo Church.

Survivors include his parents, Carter and Lily Flores of Irving; brothers, Jose Flores, Charlie Flores, Antonio JoJola and Juan JoJola, all of Irving; sister, Frances Medina; and maternal grandmother, Ramona Rocha.
Fred M. Foster

FOSTER, FRED M., age 84, of Irving went home to be with the Lord on February 12, 2003. He was born on October 30, 1918 in Ft. Worth, Texas. He was in the Air Force twenty-three years and a veteran of WWII. He was a member of Irving Baptist Fellowship Church and belonged to the Irving Shrine Club, Masonic Lodge and Commandry. Survived by wife Ellen of 56 years, son Fred Foster Jr. and wife Nanci, daughter Kay and husband Tommy Vaughn, 5 grandchildren, Joshua, Amy and Kyle Foster; Aaron and Ashley Vaughn; sister-in-law Gladys Foster and numerous nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 PM on Friday, February 14th at Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 AM on Saturday, February 15th at Brown’s Memorial Chapel with Pastor David Fortenbury officiating. 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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Fred Foster

Fred M. Foster, 84, of Irving died Wednesday. Services were Saturday at Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home with burial at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Foster was born Oct 30, 1918, in Fort Worth. He served in the Air Force for 23 years and was a World War II veteran. He was a member of Irving Baptist Fellowship Church, the Irving Shrine Club, and Irving Masonic Lodge and Commandry.

Survivors include his wife, Ellen Foster of Irving; son, Fred Foster Jr. of Georgia; daughter, Kay Vaughn of Irving; and five grandchildren.
Iva Fowler

Iva Caroline Fowler, 75, of Irving died Sunday. Services were Wednesday at Hughes Funeral Home in Grand Prairie, with burial at Moore Memorial Gardens in Arlington.

Ms. Fowler was born Dec. 30, 1927, in Walla Walla, Wash.

Survivors include her former husband, E.J. Fowler of Grand Prairie; sister Harriet Alice Chaney of Greenville, Texas; brother Finas Martin Burns of Greenville; sons Randall Joe Fowler of Grand Prairie and Dennis Jay Fowler of Irving; two grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.
Douglas Foxcroft

Douglas Alexander Foxcroft, 72, of Mission, Texas, and formerly of McKinney and Irving, died July 20 in Plano. A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Meadows Baptist Church, 3001 Los Rios Blvd. in Plano. Arrangements are by Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home.

Mr Foxcroft was born Sept. 18, 1930, in Macrorie, Saskatchewan, Canada. He and Mary Ellen Fowler were married July 1, 1959, in Irving. He was retired and a member of Pioneer Drive Baptist Church in Irving. He served in the U.S. Air Force and was a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Ellen Foxcroft of Mission, Texas; daughters, Diana Peter of Plano and Debra Thompson of McKinney; son, Larry David Harper of Fort Worth; brothers, Russell Foxcroft, David Claude Foxcroft, and Hubert Foxcroft, all of British Columbia, Canada; sisters, Hulah Colgan, Madge Harker, Muriel Perry, Elisabeth Brown and Jean Muirhead, all of British Columbia, and Marjorie Smith of Kansas City, Mo.; and four grandchildren.
Friedenwald, Margaret

FRIEDENWALD, MARGARET, 86 of Irving, Texas passed away Thursday, July 31st at her residence in Irving. She was born November 27, 1916 in Pine Bluff, AR, formerly of the U.S. Government Army Corps of Engineers. She is survived by three sons, John Skinner of Tool, TX, Jerry Skinner of Pella, Iowa and Bob Friedenwald of Vancouver, WA; one brother, Jack Kleinpeter of Richland, WA; nine Grandchildren and twelve Great Grandchildren. Memorial service will be Tuesday August 12th, 10 A.M. at the chapel Tomlinson Funeral Home, Seven Points, TX. Rev. John Cullen officiating. TOMLINSON FUNERAL HOME Seven Points, TX 903-432-4441
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Lillian Fuchs

Lillian Marie Fuchs, 83, of Euless and formerly of Irving, died Tuesday. Services were Friday at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home with burial at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Ms. Fuchs was born Sept. 2, 1919, in Tabor, Texas, the youngest of 11 children. In high school, she was a member of the 1936 state championship team in girl's basketball and volleyball. She graduated as salutatorian of her senior class. She was a member of Woodhaven Presbyterian Church in Irving.

Survivors include her son, M.E. "Butch" Meier; sister, Edna King; brother, Lloyd Degges; and three grandchildren.

Lillian Fuchs

Lillian Fuchs, 83, of Euless and formerly of Irving, died Tuesday at a Kingwood, Texas, nursing home. Arrangements by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home are pending.
Debbie Fuller
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Debbie Fuller, 48, a homemaker, died Friday, Sept. 12, 2003, at an Irving hospital.

Funeral: 1 p.m. Tuesday at Donnelly's Colonial Chapel. Burial: 3:30 p.m. in Justin Cemetery in Justin.

Debbie Fuller was born May 5, 1955, in Wilson, Ark.

Survivors: Sons, Terry Fuller of Justin, Keith Fuller of Irving, Patrick Brooks of Nocona, Freddy Fuller and Michael Moody; and her mother, Annie Goble, all of Irving; brothers Billy Goble, Larry Goble and Thomas Goble; and granddaughter, Brianna Brooks.

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Furgerson Jr., Jerry Don

FURGERSON, JERRY DON "JAY", JR. 38 of Desoto, was born Sept. 24. 1964 in Dallas, Texas died suddenly Sunday evening, April 13, 2003 in an automobile accident. He spent most of his life in sales and enjoyed a very successful career with Dallas Peterbilt. He is survived by his wife, Bridgette Eby-Furgerson, stepsons, Austen and Cole Eby, mother, Janet Furgerson of Garland, and father, Jerry Don Furgerson, Sr of Irving. Jay also leaves a host of family and friends that loved him dearly. Services will be held at 10 A.M. Wednesday, April 16, 2003 at Faith Bible Church, 1437 W. Pleasant Run Rd, Desoto, Texas 75115, phone 972-223-0000. Rev. Curt Krohn will officiate. Interment will follow in Laurel Land Memorial Park in Dallas. Pallbearers are Larry Neal, Joe Acosta, Joe Pat Fieseler, Mike Goff, Andy Burton, Danny Koerth, Kevin Kirk. In lieu of flowers Memorials are encouraged to be made to Faith Bible Church. The family will gather at the funeral home from 7 p.m. to 9 P.M. Tuesday to receive friends. West / Hurtt Funeral Home 217 S. Hampton Road DeSoto (972) 223-6314 www.legacy.com

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