Gagnon, Andrea Michelle

GAGNON, ANDREA MICHELLE, 20, beloved daughter of Kim and Sue, sister and best friend of Christina, granddaughter, niece, cousin, and friend to many, departed this life on November 16, 2004 in Plano, Texas. Andrea was born on January 31, 1984 in Oakville, Ontario, Canada. She was a 2002 graduate of Plano Senior High School and attended Midwestern State University. Andrea had a contagious smile, infectious laugh, and humongous heart. Her family will cherish the memories of Andrea's unconditional love and affection, and we are comforted knowing that her grandfather, John Dortmans, and great-grandparents Fay and Flossie Burch were there to greet our "angel" with open arms. Visitation services will take place on Thursday, November 18, 2004 between 6pm and 9pm at Ted Dickey Funeral Home, 2128 18th Street, Plano, Texas 75074 (972-424-4511). Funeral services will be held on Friday, November 19, 2004 at 11:00 am at Grace Community Church of Plano, 4501 Hedgcoxe Road, Plano, Texas 75024 (972-335-3112). In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance. Please visit their website at www.dbsalliance.org for information on how to donate. "Goodbye Andrea, go with God." Dignity Memorial Ted Dickey 2128 18th Plano (972) 424-4511

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CINTHIA GARCIA
Cinthia Garcia, 10, passed away on July 6, 2005 at Children’s Medical Center of Dallas.
She was born on March 23, 1995 in Guanajuato, Mexico to Ramon Garcia & Alma Rosa Valle. Cinthia was a resident of Irving and attended Irving Public Schools.
Visitation was held July 7 at Calvary Funeral Home. Funeral services were held at Panteon Municipal de Comfurt, Guanajato, Mexico on July 8.
Cinthia is survived by her parents, two sisters; Claudia Isabel Garcia and Judith Jaquelin Garcia all of Irving, TX, paternal grandparents: Nicolas Garcia and Eugenia Lopez, maternal grandparents: Rufino Valle and Abel Lopez all of Mexico.

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July 14, 2005
Julio Gamboa

Julio Gamboa, 37, of Irving died Monday in Dallas. A prayer service was Thursday at Calvary Funeral Home. Burial will be in Mexico.

Mr. Gamboa was born Dec. 9, 1966, in Hoc-tun, Yucatan, Mexico. He worked in a restaurant.

Survivors include his wife, Maria Gabriela Pouc; sons, Jesus Antonio Gamboa and William Ismael Gamboa; daughters, Alejandra Gamboa and Susana Gamboa; father, Elodio Gamboa; brother, Bartolo Gamboa; and sister, Juana Gamboa.
GANTT, CLYDE, 86, of Weatherford, former long-time resident of Irving, died Friday, August 27, 2004 in a Fort Worth hospital. Born May 6, 1918 at Covington, Texas, she was a special education teacher and member of the Church of Christ. Survived by sons, Jerry Don Kelley of Weatherford and Roger Frank Gantt of Whitesboro; daughter, Terresa Darleen Gantt of Weatherford; brother, Don R. Gay of Drop, TX; six grandchildren; and four great grandchildren. Funeral service 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, 9/1/04 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel. Burial at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens in Irving. The family will receive friends at the funeral home Tuesday 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association or American Cancer Society. Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home 606 W. Airport Fwy. (972) 579-1313 www.donellyscolonial.com

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Gardner, Bobby Mose

Gardner, BOBBY MOSE, 66, passed away on September 16, 2004 in Irving, TX. He was born on November 16, 1937 in Wichita Falls, TX. He was a graduate of Texas Tech University, was the owner of Gardner Insurance Company, had been a resident of Irving since 1994 and a longtime prior resident Winnsboro where he was active in the Winnsboro Bass Club. Mr. Gardner is survived by his wife, Sybil Gardner of Irving, and her three daughters, Cynthia Bragner of Irving, Teresa Hurtado of Grand Prairie and Janna Guerra of Irving. Two daughters from a previous marriage, Roxane Long of Tulsa, OK., and Leslie Gardner of California. One Brother, Richard Gardner and One Sister, Greta Kelly both of Bowie, TX. and Numerous Nieces and Nephews. The family receive friends for visitation on Sunday afternoon from 3:00p.m. to 5:00p.m. Funeral services will be Monday, September 20, 2004 at 11:00a.m. at Calvary Funeral Home Chapel. Interment at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Rev. Jerry Perrill will be officiating. Irving Calvary Funeral Home 624 East Second Street Irving Texas 75060 (972) 579-7356

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Erin Garrett

Erin Gradly Garrett, 71, of Irving died Feb. 13. Services were Monday at Plymouth Park United Methodist Church in Irving with a graveside service Tuesday at Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery.

Mr. Gradly was born Oct. 28, 1932, in New York, Texas. He was a 1950 graduate of Pleasant Grove High School and a 1954 graduate of the University of North Texas. He was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity.

After serving in the Army from 1954 to 1956, he returned to Dallas and started a 36-year career with Exxon USA, formerly Humble Oil & Refinery Co. He was a member of Plymouth Park United Methodist Church. He served on the Dallas County Appraisal Review Board from 1993 to 2001. He also served on the Campus Improvement Committee at Lee Elementary School and on United Way campaigns for Exxon.

Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth “Liz” Garrett of Irving; sons, Dean Garrett of Austin and Drue Garrett and his wife, Kelly, of Euless; daughter, Ellen Gilbert of Conroe, Texas; sister, Marilyn Hudgens of Houston; and three grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Plymouth Park United Methodist Church, 1615 W. Airport Freeway, Irving, Texas 75062.

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November 25, 2004

IRA (GENE) GARRETT

Irma F. (Gene) Garrett, 78, a loving husband, father and friend, left this earth on Sunday, November 21, 2004 after a courageous battle with cancer.

Gene's life was a blessing to those he loved and his life was an example for them to follow. He was born in Shreveport, Louisiana on November 10, 1926 to Croia

Whitlock Garrett and Irma E. Garrett. After graduating from Boston High School in 1943, he enlisted in the Army Air Corps, serving at Fort Chaffee, Arkansas and Lowry Field in Colorado where he was awarded the World War II Victory Medal. Upon his honorable discharge in 1945, Gene returned home to attend Louisiana Tech University and graduated in 1948 with a degree in Business Administration. He worked for General Dynamics Corporation in Fort Worth, Texas for 36 years, retiring in 1992 as the firm's Chief of Finance. During his tenure at General Dynamics, Gene received his professional designation of Certified Manager from the Institute of Certified Professional Managers. Gene was a member of the National Management Association from 1961-1997, serving as its National Chairman of the Board in 1983. As recognition of his work on behalf of the NMA, Governor John Y. Brown, Jr. commissioned Gene as a Kentucky Colonel for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Gene remained active in business after retirement from General Dynamics. In 1993, with his wife, Betty, he co-founded Garrett Speakers International, and both were active in the Dallas/Fort Worth Chapter of Meeting Professionals International. In 1994, Gene also co-founded Garrett Meeting Solutions, a staffing service for the meetings and events industry. Gene was an Eagle Scout, a 33rd Degree Mason and a Shriner.

He leaves to rejoice in his memory his loving and devoted wife, Betty, sons David Garrett (Houston, TX) and Steven Garrett (Fort Worth, TX), sister, Jere Edwards (Broken Arrow, OK), devoted grandchildren, Grayson Garrett (South Hadley Falls, MA), and Austin Garrett and Samantha Garrett (Houston, TX). Those also rejoicing in his memory include his Family in Christ at Royal Lane Baptist Church, and many friends and loved ones from the meetings and events industry. A Memorial Service was scheduled Wednesday, November 24, 2004 at Royal Lane Baptist Church, 6707 Royal Lane, Dallas, Texas 75230 with Reverend Ray Vickers officiating. A reception for family and friends will followed after in the Fellowship Hall hosted by Royal Lane Baptist Church. Interment is scheduled Saturday, November 27, 2004 at 1:30 pm at Greenwood Cemetery in Ruston, Louisiana. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations in honor of our beloved Gene should be made to: Gene Garrett Cancer Memorial Fund, Bank of Texas, 6701 Preston Road, Dallas, TX 75225. (214) 525-7600.
GARRETT, IRA E. (GENE) GARRETT, 78, a loving husband, father and friend, left this earth on Sunday, November 21, 2004 after a courageous battle with cancer. Gene's life was a blessing to those he loved and his life was an example for them to follow. He was born in Shreveport, Louisiana on November 10, 1926 to Crotia Whitlock Garrett and Ira E. Garrett. After graduating from Ruston High School in 1943, he enlisted in the Army Air Corps, serving at Fort Chaffee, Arkansas and Lowry Field in Colorado where he was awarded the World War II Victory Medal. Upon his honorable discharge in 1945, Gene returned home to attend Louisiana Tech University and graduated in 1948 with a degree in Business Administration. He formerly worked for General Dynamics Corporation in Fort Worth, Texas for 36 years, retiring in 1992 as the firm’s Chief of Finance. During his tenure at General Dynamics, Gene received his professional designation of Certified Manager from the Institute of Certified Professional Managers. Gene was a member of the National Management Association from 1981-1997, serving as its National Chairman of the Board in 1983. As recognition of his work on behalf of the NMA, Governor John Y. Brown, Jr. commissioned Gene as a Kentucky Colonel for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Gene remained active in business after retirement from General Dynamics. In 1993, with his wife, Betty, he co-founded Garrett Speakers International, and both were active in the Dallas/Fort Worth Chapter of Meeting Professionals International. In 1994, Gene also co-founded Garrett Meeting Solutions, a staffing service for the meetings and events industry. Gene was an Eagle Scout, a 32nd-Degree Mason and a Shriner. He leaves to rejoice in his memory his loving and devoted wife, Betty, sons David Garrett (Houston, TX.) and Steven Garrett (Fort Worth, TX.), sister, Jere Edwards (Broken Arrow, OK.), devoted grandchildren, Graysen Garrett (South Hadley Falls, MA.), and Austin Garrett and Samantha Garrett (Houston, TX.). Those also rejoicing in his memory include his Family in Christ at Royal Lane Baptist Church, and many friends and loved ones from the meetings and events industry. A Memorial Service is scheduled Wednesday, November 24, 2004 at 11:00 am at Royal Lane Baptist Church, 6707 Royal Lane, Dallas, Texas 75230 with Reverend Ray Vickery officiating. A reception for family and friends will follow immediately after in the Fellowship Hall hosted by Royal Lane Baptist Church. Interment is scheduled Saturday, November 27, 2004 at 1:30 pm at Greenwood Cemetery in Ruston, Louisiana. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations in Honor of our beloved Gene should be made to: Gene Garrett Cancer Memorial Fund, Bank of Texas, 6701 Preston Road, Dallas, TX. 75205, (214) 525-7600. Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home 606 W. Airport Frwy. (972) 579-1313 www.donnelyscolonial.com

James Alva

GATES, JAMES ALVA, age 93, born to William and Arabella Moore Gates, September 29, 1910 at Alexandria, Louisiana, died Monday, February 23, 2004 at his home. A carpenter by trade, Alva and his wife Doris and their five children moved to Irving in November 1947. They were members of First Baptist Church and celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 1984 and enjoyed several more years together until her death in 1994. He was also preceded in death by his brothers, Allen Gates and Amos Gates, sister, Effie Emmons, and a son, Donald Ray who died at birth. Left to cherish his memory are his daughters, Lurlene Morse, Carolyn Lavarnway and her husband, J. W. and Vivian Verder; sons, James Gates and Thomas Gates and his wife, Gail; 12 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and 3 great-great-grandchildren. Private family graveside services were held Wednesday at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens in Irving. Rev. Chuck Stevenson officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the donor’s favorite charity. Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home 606 W. Airport Frwy. (972) 579-1313 www.donnellycolonial.com

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John Gates

John Michael Gates, 52, of Irving died Wednesday. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home, 707 N. MacArthur Blvd. Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Brown's with burial at Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery, 2000 Mountain Creek Parkway.

Mr. Gates was born Nov. 12, 1952, in Irving.

Survivors include his mother, Elizabeth Gates of Irving; sons, Sam Gates of Temple and William Gates of Krum; daughter, Maegan Gates of Bedford; brother, Rick Gates of Irving; and five grandchildren.
Arlie Lee Gatlin

GATLIN, ARLIE LEE, 66, of Euless, died June 21, 2004 at a Bedford hospital. Born May 18, 1938 in Austin, he was the owner of Gatlin's Garage in Grand Prairie for ten years. Preceded in death by a son, Gary Lee Gatlin; parents Wallace and Virgie Gatlin and three brothers, Harley, Jimmy and Lloyd Gatlin. Survivors include his wife Jean Gatlin; daughter Julie Gatlin and son Tom Gatlin, all of Euless; grandchildren Jennifer, Christina and Elisha Gatlin, all of Euless; sisters Jackie Cantrell of Waco and Shirley Brunson of Lorena; brothers Billy D. Gatlin of Riesel, Gene Gatlin and David Gatlin, both of Waco; and numerous nieces and nephews. Service 12 noon, Thursday, June 24, 2004 at Donnelly's Colonial Chapel. Rev. Scott Chadwick officiating. Graveside 5:00 p.m., Thursday at Patrick Cemetery in Rock Creek, Texas. The family will receive friends 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Wednesday at the funeral home. Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home 606 W. Airport Frwy. (972) 579-1313 www.donnellyscolonial.com


June 27, 2004

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Annie Gay

Annie R. Gay, 88, of Monroe, N.C., and formerly of Irving died Dec. 24 at her home. A graveside service was Thursday at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Arrangements were by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.

Mrs. Gay was born Oct. 17, 1916, in Galveston.

Survivors include her sons, John Martin Gay of San Antonio and Freeman Edward Gay of California; daughters, LaNora Kathleen Gay Reay of Monroe, Texas, and Doris LaVera Ternes of California; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.
RONETTA SUE GAYDOS

Ronetta Sue Gaydos, of Irving, passed away July 21, 2005.
She was born October 17, 1964 in Lajes Field, Azores, Portugal. Ronetta graduated from Mt. St. Mary’s High School in Oklahoma City and also from the University of Dallas. She was retired after working for the Irving Police Dept. as a communication supervisor and was a member of St. Luke’s Catholic Church. She is survived by her parents, Ronald and Inola Gaydos, of Midwest City, Oklahoma. A Memorial Mass was celebrated at July 25 at St. Luke’s Catholic Church with Father Aidan O’Donovan as celebrant. Interment was at Post Oak Cemetery, Oglesby, TX. The family received friends Sunday at the funeral home.

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July 28, 2005
W. Walter Gentry

W. Walter "Bill" Gentry, 67, of Irving died Thursday from a sudden illness. A private family service will be at a later date. Chism-Smith Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

Mr. Gentry was born Jan. 7, 1937, in Pensacola, Fla. He worked for 25 years at Sears as an interior store designer before he started his own business.

Survivors include his sons, Aaron Gentry and his wife, Jennifer, of Flower Mound and Loren Gentry of Irving; sister, Margaret Kelly of Dallas; and three grandchildren.
Mary George

Mary Deanna George, 61, of Irving died Monday. The family will have a private memorial in her honor. Arrangements are by Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home.

Ms. George was born Feb. 12, 1943, in New Castle, Ind.

Survivors include her mother, Deloris Rothrock of Irving; son, Steve Brown of New Castle; daughter, Michelle Dominguez of Irving; sister, Jeanine Rothrock of Grand Prairie; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.
Opal Gifford

Opal Gifford, 87, of Irving died Dec. 25 at an Irving nursing center. A graveside service was Tuesday at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Arrangements were by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.

Mrs. Gifford was born June 19, 1917, in Sidon, Ark. She was a butcher at Food Basket in Irving for 10 years.

Survivors include her sons, Jimmy Roberts of Oklahoma, David Roberts of Irving and Bill Roberts of Lubbock; her daughter, Annie Cooper of Irving; her sister, Pauline Halford of Arlington; her brother, Ralph Williams of Alvarado, Texas; 18 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; and one great-great-great-grandson.
OPAL GIFFORD
1917 - 2004

OPAL GIFFORD, age 87, resident of Irving, Texas for fifty-two years, formerly of Arkansas, died Dec 25, 2004 at an Irving
Born June 19, 1917 in Sidon, Arkansas, she was a butcherette at Food Basket in Irving for ten years.

Survivors include her sons, Jimmy Roberts of Oklahoma, David Roberts of Irving and Bill Roberts of Lubbock; daughter, Irving; sister, Pauline Halford of Arlington; brother, Ralph Williams of Alvarado; eighteen grandchildren; numerous great
few great-great grandchildren; and one great-great-great grandson.

Graveside Service 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, Dec 28, 2004 at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Rev. Paul Reedy officiating. The
friends 5:00 to 6:30 p.m., Monday at the funeral home.
Georgette Gill

Georgette Marguerite Tetreault Gill, 78, of Irving died Dec. 25. Services were at 12 Oaks Retirement Community in Irving. Mrs. Gill was born Feb. 4, 1926, in Putnam, Conn. Survivors include daughters Sandra Chavarria of Irving and Lorene de Aranzeta of Ocala, Fla.; sons Kevin Gill of Plainfield, Conn., and Terrence Gill; brother, Norman Tetreault of Norwich, Conn.; nine grandchildren and two great-grandsons. Memorials may be made to Communities in Schools Dallas Region, 8700 N. Stemmons Freeway, Suite 125, Dallas, Texas 75247.
Gipson, Tommie Jo

GIPSON, TOMMIE JO, 81, of Dallas died Aug. 10, 2004, at her home following a lengthy illness. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Mount Carmel Cemetery Chapel with Charles L. Gipson and Larry May officiating. Burial will be at Mount Carmel Cemetery. Daughter of Hugh Dolphus and Cora Estelee Davis Williams, she was born Feb. 25, 1923, in Wolfe City, On Sept. 14, 1957, she was married to James P. Gipson in Irving. She and her husband owned and operated several beauty and barber colleges. Mrs. Gipson was a member of Lakeland Hills Baptist Church in Dallas. Survivors include her husband of Dallas; a son and daughter-in-law, Joe Daniel and Michelle Gipson of Dallas; grandsons Brandon Gipson and Jeremy Gipson of Dallas; stepgrandchildren Melanie McCullough and Matt McCullough of Dallas; stepgreat-granddaughter Baylee McCullough of Dallas; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Rose Lee and Gilbert Thornton of Irving and Marjorie and Jim Stafford of Garland; a brother and sister-in-law, Billy Jack and Avis Williams of Dallas; and sister-in-law Esther Williams of Rowlett. She was preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Leota Williams and Dorothea McCaslin and brothers Jasper Williams and Hugh Williams. Pallbearers include nephews Bobby D. Williams, Bobby Brown, Barry Paris, Jerry Thornton, Terry Thornton, Randy Williams, Richard Teel, Gary Belcher and Clif Earnheart. Visitation is from 6 to 8 p.m. today at R.W. Owens & Son Funeral Home. R.W. OWENS & SON FUNERAL HOME Wolfe City, Texas 903-496-2331

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Glater, Josephine Major

GLATER, JOSEPHINE MAJOR GLATER, born in New York City on October 9, 1919, passed away July 8, 2004. Preceded in death by her husband of 49 years, Irving Jack Glater. Survived by her son, Elliott Glater; daughters, Margo Glater and Leslie Glater, and grandson, Jason Glater. She was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother who will be greatly missed. Graveside services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Sunday, July 11, 2004, at Temple Emanu-El Cemetery with Rabbi Gerald J. Klein officiating. Contributions my be made to the American Cancer Society or the charity of your choice. Dignity Memorial Sparkman Hillcrest 7405 W. Northwest Hwy. Dallas (214) 363-5401

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GLOVER, III, EDWARD AUGUSTUS VAN CORTLANDT, 85, of Irving since 1969, went to be with his Lord Dec 21, 2004 at Baylor Medical Center at Irving. Born Oct 15, 1919 in White Plains, New York, he was a Captain in the U.S. Army from 1943 to 1946. Serving during WW II, European Campaign, D-Day +4, he was honored with three Purple Hearts and a Bronze Star. He retired from AAFES after 26 years. While with AAFES, the family lived in Europe and Japan and traveled extensively in Europe and Asia. Preceded in death by his sister, Marie Marshall and brother, Richard Glover. Survived by his wife of fifty-six years, Sallyann; son, Edward (Ted) Augustus VanCortlandt Glover, IV and his wife Bonnie, of Lucas; son Courtney Michael Glover and his wife Pat, of Beaumont; daughter, Maryalice (Mimi) Glover Grant of Plano; two grandchildren, Charlotte Glover Grant and Douglas Glover Grant; sisters, Marjorie Kelly of Florida and Nancy Glover of New York City, NY. Private services to be held at a later date. Memorials may be made to Puddin's Place Animal Shelter, P.O. Box 30095, Lumberton, TX 77657. Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home 606 W. Airport Frwy. (972) 579-1313 www.donnelycolonial.com
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EDWARD AUGUSTUS VANCORTLANDT
GLOVER, III,
age 85, a resident of
Irving, Texas since 1969,
grew to be with his Lord
Dec 21, 2004 at Baylor
Medical Center at Irving.
Born Oct 15, 1919 in White
Plain, New York, he was
a Captain in the U.S.
Army from 1943 to 1946. Serving during WW
II, European Campaign. D-Day +4, he was
honored with three Purple Hearts and a
Bronze Star. He retired from AAFES after 26
years. While with AAFES, the family lived
in Europe and Japan and traveled extensively
in Europe and Asia. Proceeded in death by
his sister, Marie Marshall and brother, Richard
Glover. Survived by his wife of fifty-six years,
Sallyann; son, Edward (Ted) Augustus
Vancortlandt Glover, IV and his wife Bonnie,
of Lucas; son Courtney Michael Glover and
his wife Pat. of Beaumont; daughter,
Maryalice (Mimi) Glover Grant of Plano; two
grandchildren, Charlotte Glover Grant and
Douglas Glover Grant; sisters, Marjorie Kelly
of Florida and Nancy Glover of New York
City, NY. Private services to be held at a later
date. Memorials may be made to Puddin’s
Place Animal Shelter, P.O. Box 30095,
Lumberton, TX 77657.

December 23, 2004

Terry Ramble
Shellie Goad

Shellie Lynn Goad, 35, of Fort Worth and formerly of Irving died Sunday in Arlington. Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home, 707 N. MacArthur Blvd., with burial at Bear Creek Cemetery in Euless.

Ms. Goad was born Dec. 27, 1968, in Irving.

Survivors include her mother, Glenda Williams of Grapevine; significant other, Jack Morrison of Fort Worth; grandmothers, Ruth Messina of Grapevine and Nancy Hill of Irving; brother, Jason Hill of Grapevine; five cousins; two aunts; and one nephew.
Angela King-Gonzales

Angela Marie King-Gonzales of Irving died Monday in Irving. She was born Oct. 16, 1968, in Odessa. She was a medical assistant and a Mormon.

Survivors include sons David Mestas of Florida and Raymond Garcia of Irving; mother and stepfather Dovie and Efrain Gonzales of Irving; brothers James King and Lukas Reynolds, both of Irving; grandmother Naomi Wilson of Irving; two great-aunts Dorothy Parrish of Irving and Juanita Rich of Truth or Consequences, N.M.

A private family memorial service will be at a later date.

Mar 16. (deceased, 2014)
March 17, 2004 IMN
Edgar M. "Ed" Gonzalez
1953 - 2004

EDGAR "ED" M. GONZALEZ, age 50, a resident of Irving, Texas for six years, formerly of San Angelo, Texas, died July 10, 2004 at an Irving hospital. Born July 20, 1953 in Sanderson, Texas, he was a graduate of San Angelo Central High School and received his master’s degree from Angelo State University. A teacher with the Irving ISD, he taught fifth grade at John Haley Elementary. Formerly he taught school at San Angelo and Grape Creek School Districts. He was a member of the Irving Association of Texas Professional Educators and Who’s Who Among America’s Teachers. A U.S. Army veteran of Vietnam, he was a member of the Vietnam Veterans Association. Preceded in death by his father, Eliacim R. Gonzalez and his brother Roumaldo M. Gonzalez. Survivors include his mother Paz Montalvo Gonzalez of San Antonio; sister Bernice M. Gonzalez of San Antonio; brother Homero M. Gonzalez of San Antonio; nephews Mark Alan Gonzalez of Carlsbad, TX, Rene Roumaldo Gonzalez and Steven Michael Koch, both of San Angelo; nieces Erica Ann Gonzalez of San Angelo and Frances Marie Gonzalez of San Antonio. Memorial Mass 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 14, 2004 at St. Luke’s Catholic Church in Irving. Memorials may be made to Irving Association of Texas Professional Educators, c/o Connie Kilday, Irving Independent School District Administration Building, 2621 W. Airport Freeway, Irving, TX 75062.

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Edgar Gonzalez

Edgar "Ed" M. Gonzalez, 50, of Irving and formerly of San Angelo, Texas, died Saturday at an Irving hospital. A memorial Mass was celebrated Wednesday at St. Luke's Catholic Church. Arrangements were by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.

Mr. Gonzalez was born July 20, 1953, in Sanderson, Texas. A graduate of San Angelo Central High School, he received a master's degree from Angelo State University. He was a teacher in the Irving school district and taught fifth grade at John Haley Elementary School. He formerly taught in San Angelo and Grape Creek school districts.

A U.S. Army veteran of Vietnam, he was a member of the Vietnam Veterans Association and the Irving Association of Texas Professional Educators.

Survivors include his mother, Paz Montalvo Gonzalez of San Antonio; sister, Bernice M. Gonzalez of San Antonio; brother, Homero M. Gonzalez of San Antonio; and several nephews and nieces.

Memorials may be made to Irving Association of Texas Professional Educators.
GONZALEZ, MARGARITA CURI de GONZALEZ, 91, of Irving for fifteen years, formerly of Chicago, died October 30, 2004 in Melrose Park, Illinois. Born June 10, 1913 in Argentina, she moved to the United States in 1966, becoming an American citizen in 1978. A homemaker, she was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph S. Gonzalez in 1998. Survivors include her sons Jose Gonzalez Curi and wife Ild Alicia and Jorge Gonzalez Curi, all of Irving; grandchildren Yahdhirah Margarita of Irving, Jonathan Emilio of Boston, MA, Dorayeth Carolina and Elias Al, both of Irving. Visitation will begin at 6:00 p.m., Friday at the funeral home. The Rosary to be said 8:00 p.m., Friday at Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral Mass 11:00 a.m., Saturday, November 6, 2004 at Holy Family of Nazareth Catholic Church in Irving. Rev. Msgr. Jerome Duesman as celebrant. Burial will be in Argentina. Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home 606 W. Airport Frwy. (972) 579-1313 www.donnellyscolonial.com Published in the Dallas Morning News on 11/4/2004.

Margarita Curi de Gonzalez

Margarita Curi de Gonzalez, 91, of Irving and formerly of Chicago, died Oct. 30 in Melrose Park, Ill. A funeral Mass was celebrated Saturday at Holy Family Catholic Church in Irving. She will be buried in Argentina. Local arrangements were by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.

Mrs. Curi de Gonzalez was born June 10, 1913, in Argentina. She moved to the United States in 1966 and became an American citizen in 1978. A homemaker, she was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church.

Survivors include her sons, Jose Gonzalez Curi and his wife, Ild Alicia, and Jorge Gonzalez Curi, all of Irving; and grandchildren, Yahdhirah Gonzalez Curi, Dorayeth Gonzalez Curi and Elias Gonzalez Curi, all of Irving, and Jonathan Gonzalez Curi of Boston.
Stephanie Gonzalez

Stephanie González, 11 months, died Sept. 3 at her Irving home. Services were Tuesday at Calvary Funeral Home with burial at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Stephanie was born Sept. 26, 2003, in Dallas. Survivors include her parents, Miguel and Francisca Gonzalez; paternal grandparents, Guadalupe and Miguel Gonzalez Sr.; and maternal grandparents, Francisca Maya and Jose Gabidia and Ana Julia Perez, all of Irving.
Clarence Gorrell

Clarence "O.E." Gorrell, 89, of Wynnewood, Okla., died Monday. A memorial service was Thursday at DeArman's Funeral Home in Wynnewood, Okla.

Mr. Gorrell was born Jan. 6, 1915, in Atchison, Kan. He attended schools in Atchison and played semi-pro basketball in college. He was an aviation specialist in the Navy. He retired from Trumble Asphalt in Irving after 24 years of service.

After retiring, he started a specialty products company for his grandsons, where he worked until recently.

Survivors include his daughter-in-law, Linda Gorrell of Irving; grandsons, Alan Gorrell and his wife, Holly, Jackie Lynch and his wife, Brenda, Mike Blackburn and his wife, LaNae, and John Blackburn and his wife, Clarissa; 13 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson.
Clarence Gorrell

Clarence “C. E.” Gorrell, 89, of Wynnewood, Okla., died Monday. A memorial service will be at 10 this morning at DeArman’s Funeral Home in Wynnewood, Okla.

Mr. Gorrell was born Jan. 6, 1915, in Atchison, Kan. He attended schools in Atchison and played semi-pro basketball in college. He was an aviation specialist in the Navy. He retired from Trumble Asphalt in Irving after 34 years of service.

After retiring, he started a specialty products company for his grandsons, where he worked until recently.

Survivors include his daughter-in-law, Linda Gorrell of Irving; three grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

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Gosnell, Lillian Ann


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Bobby Goss

Bobby Luther Goss, 61, of Irving died Sunday. Graveside services were Wednesday at Ridgeview Memorial Park in McKinney. Brown's Memorial Funeral Home handled arrangements.

Mr. Goss was born Feb. 27, 1943, in Wewoka, Okla.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Goss of Irving; son, Rob Goss of Medina, Ohio; daughter, Shannon Vanvickle of Irving; sister, Geraldine Skinner of Plano; and two grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.
Jeremy Goss

Jeremy Goss, 23, of Irving died Wednesday. The family will receive friends from 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home, 606 W. Airport Freeway. A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens, 1413 E. Irving Blvd.

Mr. Goss was born April 3, 1980, in Irving. He was a waiter and a member of Northview Baptist Church in Irving.

Survivors include his wife, Kathi Wilkerson; parents, Mark and Linda Goss of Irving; sister, Krystal Goss of Irving; grandmother and step-grandfather, Dora Ruth Goss Evans and Walter Evans, both of Irving; grandparents, Donna and Jimmy Stephens of Jermyn, Texas; and stepchildren, John Dodson, Justin Dodson and Carissa Dodson.
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Pollie Gotcher

Pollie Gilbreath Gotcher, 62, of Euless and formerly of Irving, died Wednesday at a Fort Worth hospital.

Graveside services were Saturday at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Arrangements were by Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.

Ms. Gotcher was born Aug. 21, 1941, in Gainesville, Texas. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Dan Gotcher of Euless; daughter, Hollie Lawson and her husband, Eric, of Euless; one cousin; and one granddaughter.
GRAHAM, JOHN M. beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend passed away in his sleep April 12, 2004. John was born in Louisa, Kentucky on April 25, 1933. John is survived by his loving wife Naomi; 3 daughters Judy Craig (Ronnie); Donna Lucas (Gene) and Brenda Ratcliff. He is also survived by 8 grandchildren: Jacob, Becky and Colby Craig; Elizabeth, Matt and Becca Lucas and Christopher and Robyn Ratcliff. He is survived by 2 sisters Ruth Moore and Alene Endicott and 1 brother Robert Graham. John attended First Church of the Nazarene. He was a carpenter by trade and the finest man we have ever known. John had a love for his grandchildren, old cars and helping his friends and families. We know that he is now resting in his heavenly home and will be missed tremendously by his family and friends. Visitation will be Wednesday from 6 to 8 p.m. at Browns Memorial Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, April 15, 2004 at Browns Memorial Chapel with internment to follow at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home 707 N. MacArthur Blvd. Irving (972) 254-4242
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Sally Graham

Sally Frances Graham, 63, of Irving died Dec. 24. A funeral Mass was Monday at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home with burial at Calvary Hill Cemetery in Dallas.

Ms. Graham was born Dec. 5, 1940, in Houston.

Survivors include her sons, Jeffrey Graham of Quincy, Mass., Joshua Graham of Euless and Jonathan Graham of Denton; daughters, Jodie Graham of Irving and Jennifer Rollins of Tampa, Fla.; brother, Thomas Victor Davis of Houston; and six grandchildren.
GRANKOWSKI, JAMES STEVEN, JR., 42, of Irving, beloved son and brother died May 24, 2004 in Dallas. Born December 1, 1961 in Cleveland, Ohio, he was the owner of Californian Sun Pool Maintenance. Preceded in death by his father James Grankowski and an uncle David Lee Kleinhenz of Ohio, his survivors include his mother Kathleen Grice of Irving; sister Heather Turrentine and husband Chris of Colleyville; sister Christine Ponder and husband Russell of Fort Worth; niece Chanel; nephews Kole and Chase; uncles Dennis Kleinhenz and wife Joanne of Kirtland, Ohio, Bob Kleinhenz and wife Joyce of Phillipsburg, Ohio; and aunt Marilyn Scheck of Cleveland, Ohio. A memorial service will be held 3:00 p.m., Saturday, June 5, 2004 at Donnellys Colonial Chapel. Rev. J. Don George officiating. The family will receive friends beginning at 2:00 p.m., Saturday until service time and then after the service until 5:00 p.m. His kind and giving heart was always open for others. He will be dearly missed. Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home 606 W. Airport Frwy. (972) 579-1313 www.donnelyscolonial.com
MARY NELL GRAVES

Mary Nell Graves, age 85, a longtime Irving resident, passed away on Friday, December 31, 2004.

Mrs. Graves was born on August 25, 1919 in Kirby AR. She married L. E. Graves on Sept. 10, 1934, he proceeded her in death. She was a member of the Eastern Star, Irving Chapter 777 and was also named Irving’s Mother of the Year in 1957. She is survived by daughters, Costetta Jones and husband Charles of Irving, TX, Sue Dickerson on Irving, TX, Jeannie Simpson and husband Chuck of Goldthwaite, TX; son, Dean Graves and wife Adaila of Houston, TX; 12 grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren, 2 great-great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.
GRAVES, MARY, age 85, a long time resident of Irving, Texas passed away Friday, December 31, 2004 with her family by her side. She was born in Kirby, Arkansas on August 25, 1919 to Daniel and Mary Morgan. Mrs. Graves married L.E. Graves in White Flat, TX on Sept. 10, 1934, he preceded her in death in 1990. She was a member of the Eastern Star Chapter 777 of Irving for fifty years and was awarded Irving Mother of the Year in 1959. Mrs. Graves was a member of the First Baptist Church of Irving. Survivors include daughters, Cossetta Jones and husband Charles of Irving, TX, Sue Dickerson of Irving, TX, Jeannie Simpson and husband Chuck of Goldthwaite, TX; son, Dean Graves and his wife Adaila of Houston, TX; 12 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; and numerous beloved nieces and nephews. Visitation will be Sunday, Jan. 2nd from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Funeral Services will be 10:00 a.m. Monday, Jan. 3rd at Chism-Smith Funeral home, interment will follow at 3:00 at Mt. Carmel Cemetery in Wolfe City, TX. Chism & Smith 129 S. O'Connorr Irving (972) 259-7644

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GRAY, Verna Ruth Cozby

GRAY, Verna Ruth Cozby, 71, of Irving, Texas died Tuesday, April 27, 2004 at her home following a lengthy illness. Verna was born on August 24, 1932, the daughter of Fred and Clara Pierce Cozby. On March 27, 1956 she married Gabe Gray in Austin, Texas. Verna was a retired secretary for the Gulf Bearing Company and a member of the Webb Chapel Baptist Church in Farmers Branch, Texas. She is survived by her sister, June Wilder of Dallas; her brother, Dave Cozby of Flint, 3 step children, 5 nieces and nephews and 5 great nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, parents and one brother. Services will be Saturday, May 1, 2004 at 10:00 A.M. at the Webb Chapel Baptist Church with graveside services following at 2:30 PM at Mt. Camel Cemetery, Wolfe City, Texas. Officiating will be Dr. Carey Crawford and Rev. Billy Wilder. Family will receive friends at the church before the service. R. W. Owens & Son Funeral Home, Wolfe City, Texas is in charge of the service and arrangements. R.W. Owens & Son Funeral Home Wolfe City, TX 903-496-2331
Katherine B. Green
1926 - 2004

KATHERINE B. GREEN, age 77, a resident of Lakeside, California, formerly of Irving, Texas, died March 17, 2004 in California. Born July 3, 1926 in Dallas, Texas, she moved to San Diego in 1996. A homemaker, she was preceded in death by her husband Cue E. Green, June 1985. They were married June, 1947 in Dallas. Survivors include daughters Vickie Lynn Daniel of Southlake and Priscilla Elaine Powell of Lakeside, CA; sisters Florine Jenkins of Garland and Flaucy Howard; brother M. J. Ganze; four grandchildren Taylor Howard Smith, Delfa Lynn Ferguson, William Chase Daniel and Lynsey Diane Daniel; four great grandchildren Meka Smith, Christopher Smith, Megan Smith and Logan Peterson. Memorial service 12 noon, Thursday, March 25, 2004 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel. Rev. Bob Jenkins and Taylor Smith officiating.

Katherine Green

Katherine B. Green, 77, of Lakeside, Calif., and formerly of Irving, died March 17. A memorial service will be at noon today at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home, 606 W. Airport Freeway.

Ms. Green was born July 3, 1926, in Dallas. She moved to the San Diego area in 1996. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her daughters, Vickie Lynn Daniel of Southlake and Priscilla Elaine Powell of Lakeside; sisters, Florine Jenkins of Garland and Flaucy Howard; brother, M.J. Ganze; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.
VELMA REE TATUM GREEN

Velma Ree Tatum Green, 61, of Irving, died
May 27, 2005 at Baylor Medical Center in Irving.
Born July 18, 1943 in Fairplay, TX, she
was a dietician. Survived by daughters, Sonya
Grass and husband Rodney, and Cheryl Green all
of Cedar Hill; mother, Velma Tatum of Dallas;
brothers, Edgar Tatum, Jr. of Erst, TX, Tommy
D. Tatum of Longview, and Kenneth Wayne
Tatum of Houston, TX; sisters, Nelva Hicks of
Beckville, TX and Barbara Taylor of Cedar Hill;
three grandchildren, Victoria, Antonio, and
Christina.
She was preceded in death by her father,
Edgar Tatum; brother, Benny Ray Tatum; sister,
Jean Evelyn Blankinship; and ex-husband, Frank
Green.
Graveside service will be 10:30 a.m. June 3
at Little Bethel Memorial Park in Cedar Hill. A
memorial service will follow at Noon Friday at
Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home Chapel. The
family will receive friends at the funeral home,
Thursday from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

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GREENHILL JR., STANLEY HOWARD, 81, of Irving for fifty-three years formerly of Milford, Texas died July 8, 2004 at his home. Born July 31, 1922 in Abbott, Texas, he was a graduate of Milford High School. Stanley was a U.S. Army Air Corps veteran of WWII, serving from 1942 to 1946, attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant. He was awarded the American Theater, Asiatic Pacific Theater, Good Conduct and Victory Medal awards. He was a plant superintendent for Dallas Power and Light, retiring after forty years. Preceded in death by his wife Billie Marie Greenhill, they married in Caddo Parrish, Louisiana. Survivors include son Michael Greenhill and wife Donna of Sanger; daughters Linda Boylson of Carrollton and Peggy Milburn of Irving; sister Dorothy Summit of Poynor; seven grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Visitation 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Friday at the funeral home. Service 11:00 a.m., Saturday, July 10, 2004 at Donnelly's Colonial Chapel. Rev. Wallace Philpot officiating. Burial to follow at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home 606 W. Airport Frwy. (972) 579-1313 www.donnelyscolonial.com

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WILLIAM PRESTON GREENLEE, SR.

William Preston Greenlee Sr., age 83, was received into the arms of God July 2, 2005 at his residence in Irving, Texas. Born January 25, 1922 in Binghamton, New York, he was a veteran of World War II and received a Purple Heart for his efforts at the Battle of the Bulge. He moved to Dallas/Fort Worth in 1990 where he was employed for Sewell Lexus Motor Company and most recently with Park Place Motor Cars. Preston was a Mason and member of Washington Lodge No. 1117. He will be missed and always loved by his family and friends. Survivors include wife: Myra Cherry-Greenlee of Irving; son: William P. Greenlee, Jr. of Coppell; step-sons: Steven Cherry and wife Colette and Joel Cherry, all of Mansfield; step-daughter: Sharon Murway and husband Kenn of Arlington; grandsons: James Preston and William Pierson Greenlee, both of Coppell; step-granddaughters: Melissa, Alisha, Mariah, and Meredith Cherry of Mansfield. Memorial service was held July 9 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel. Flowers may be sent or donations in lieu of flowers may be made in Preston's name to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation - Northeast Texas Chapter, 5280 Trail Lake Drive, Suite 27, Fort Worth, TX 76133 or Shriners Hospitals for Children, 3100 Samford, Shreveport, LA 71103.

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Norman Greenwald

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Lois Groves

Lois Davis Groves, 79, of Lubbock died Monday at Covenant Medical Center Lakeside in Lubbock. Services were Wednesday at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home with burial in Hillcrest Memorial Park in Dallas.

Mrs. Groves was born Dec. 30, 1924, in Terry County. She grew up in Brownfield, Texas, and graduated from Union High School. She lived in Irving for more than 50 years before moving to Lubbock in 2002. She was a homemaker and a member of Milwaukee Church of Christ.

Survivors include her son, Terry Groves of Lubbock; stepson, Jimmy Groves of Dallas; sisters, Thelma Gerloff of Lubbock and Jewell Martin of Brownfield; nine grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Memorials may be made to Lubbock Youth Leadership, P.O. Box 94505, Lubbock, Texas 79493.
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Survivors include her son, Terry Groves of Lubbock; stepson, Jimmy Groves of Dallas; sisters, Thelma Gerloff of Lubbock and Jewell Martin of Brownfield; nine grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

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Guenther, Gary A.

GUENTHER, GARY A., 59, of Irving, died Friday, March 5, 2004 at his home. Born August 8, 1944 in Dallas, he was an engineer with Vought Aerospace. Survivors include wife Eva; daughter, Teena Guenther; parents, Albert & Maxine Guenther; a nephew & three nieces. Funeral service 1:00 p.m. Monday at Kirkwood United Methodist Church, 2232 W. 5th Street. Burial at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens in Irving. The family will receive friends at the funeral home Sunday 5:00-700 p.m. The family requests in lieu of flowers, memorials to American Cancer Society or donor's favorite charity.

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Jose Guerrero

Jose Dolores Guerrero, 70, of Irving died Tuesday. A funeral Mass was celebrated Friday at St. Luke’s Catholic Church with burial at Bear Creek Cemetery. Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home handled arrangements.

Mr. Guerrero was born on April 21, 1934, in Guanajuato, Mexico.

Survivors include his wife, Maria Guerrero; parents Jesus and Rutila Guerrero; children Jess Guerrero, Onesimo Guerrero, Maria Audelia Guerrero, Johnny Guerrero, Ruth Guerrero and Irma Guerrero; brothers Eusebio Guerrero and Fausto Guerrero; sisters Celia Guerrero and Margarita Olivera Guerrero; and three grandchildren.
Gwyn, Gary E.

GWYN, GARY E. A Celebration of Life memorial service for Gary Gwyn, 63, of Irving, Texas will be held Friday, August 6, at 11 a.m. at Woodhaven Presbyterian Church of Irving, where he served as a member of the Personnel Committee. The Rev. Julie Riley will officiate. Husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, brother-in-law and friend, Gary left this worldly state on Mon., Aug. 2, 2004 surrounded by his loving family and the compassionate, caring staff of Baylor Neurological Intensive Care Unit. His life, though seemingly too short for those who knew him, touched deeply those who were mentored and loved by him. His courageous battle with cancer was an inspiration to all that knew him. Gary was born Aug. 6, 1940 in Sherman, TX to Garnett and Margaret Andrews Gwyn. Gary graduated Poly High School in Fort Worth in 1958 and went on to play football at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas before graduating from The University of Texas at Arlington (formerly Arlington State) with a B.A. degree in Economics in 1963. He married Glynda Lasater on September 9, 1960 and was blessed with two beautiful daughters, Susan and Andi. He was Director of Community and Government Relations for Flower Mound New Town from 1971 to 1974. He was Assistant City Manager of the City of Ft. Worth from 1976 to 1982 and was instrumental in bringing American Airlines Corporate Headquarters to Ft. Worth. On Dec. 18, 1982 he married Pat Hitchcock in Tyler, Texas. He served as City Manager of Tyler from 1982 to 1991 and as City Manager of Grand Prairie, Texas from 1991 to 1999 during which time he worked to secure Lone Star Park at Grand Prairie. He served as General Manager of the Brazos River Authority from 1999 to 2001. In March of 2001, Gary became Assistant City Manager of Irving, Texas where he served until his death. His public management career was highlighted by his service as president of the Texas City Management Association, 1987-88, Regional Vice President of the Executive Board of the International City/County Management Association, 1991-93 and as President of the Executive Board, 1997-98. During his service to his profession he and Pat were able to travel abroad and develop many lasting friendships which they have always treasured. Gary's lasting legacy to his profession was his willingness to serve as mentor to other public administration servants. He is survived by his wife and very best friend of 21 years, Pat; daughter Susan Kisner, her husband Scott and grandchildren Lyn and Steven of Frederick, OK; daughter Andi Davis and her husband Max, grandchildrens Brandi and Sheri at Burlington, TX; brother Kenny Gwyn and his wife Connie of Carmine, TX; and numerous nieces and nephews. Donations may be made to the ICMA Fund for Professional Management, Attn.: Gisele Marshall, 777 North Capitol Street, N.E., Suite 500, Washington, D.C., 20002-4201, or Woodhaven Presbyterian Church, 3650 North O'Connor Road, Irving, TX 75062. Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home 606 W. Airport Fwy. (972) 579-1313 www.donnelyscolonial.com

Assistant city manager known for warmth

By ERIC AASEN
Staff Writer

Gary Gwyn was a giant, but a gentle one.

It was hard to miss the 6-foot-7-inch assistant city manager during Irving City Council meetings. Strangers may have been intimidated by his size, but friends remember him as warm and mild-mannered.

Mr. Gwyn died Monday at 63. He had been battling cancer in a sinus cavity, said his wife, Pat.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Woodhaven Presbyterian Church, 3650 N. O'Connor Road in Irving.

During his 35-year career, Mr. Gwyn served as city manager in Grand Prairie, Tyler, Edinburg and Canyon. He was an assistant city manager in Fort Worth and the general manager of the Brazos River Authority.

He joined Irving in 2001 and oversaw the administrative services departments, including financial services and human resources.

He had a heart of gold, Mrs. Gwyn said. Family and public service were important to him. He served as a mentor throughout his career.

Mr. Gwyn seemed to enjoy the challenges that came with his job, said Sandy Cash, Irving's deputy city manager. And he liked working with people.

"Gary was just a dynamo," he said. "He was full of energy and full of life. ... He was one of those guys you could instantly begin to like."

As Grand Prairie's city manager, Mr. Gwyn improved the city's image by establishing an economic development department, said Mayor Charles England. He was intelligent and loved to read, the mayor added.

"He was a great help to me and a very patient person and kind of helped me learn what a mayor's supposed to do," Mr. England said.

Mr. Gwyn earned a bachelor of arts degree in economics at what is now the University of Texas at Arlington and completed a program for senior managers in state and local government at Harvard University.

He served as president of the International City Management Association and the Texas City Management Association.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Gwyn's survivors include daughter Susan Kisner, her husband, Scott, and grandsons Lynn and Steven of Frederick, Okla.; daughter Andi Davis, her husband, Max, and granddaughters Brandi and Sheri of Arlington; brother Kenny Gwyn and his wife, Connie, of Carmine, Texas; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Donations may be made to the ICMA Fund for Professional Management, Attn: Gisele Marshall, 777 N. Capitol St. N.E., Suite 500, Washington, D.C. 20002, or to Woodhaven Presbyterian Church.

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