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### **William Van Cook**

William Van Cook, 71, of Cedar Hill died Wednesday. Private services will be held at a later date.

He was born Jan. 2, 1933 in Oklahoma.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Cook, of Cedar Hill; son, Arthur Earl Halcomb of Teague, Texas; daughters, Barbara Main of Maynard, Ark.; Sharon Main of Datto, Ark.; Donna Chunn of Irving; sister, Wanda Purl of Kaufman, Texas; 16 grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

**October 21, 2004**

## ***Josiah Vandertulip***

Josiah Hanan Vandertulip died Thursday, October 14 2004 when his patrol came under fire in Iraq. Josiah joined the Army in August 2002 and became a Specialist assigned to 2nd Battalion, 7th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas. Josiah is the first member of the armed services from Irving to die while defending freedom for his country and the people of Iraq.

Born May 14, 1983 in Dallas to Robert and Louise Gardea Vandertulip, Josiah was a unique, witty person who liked to cut-up and entertain those around him. He loved hockey, video games, snow skiing and watching movies. A member of Plymouth Park Baptist Church, he loved most of all God, his family and his country.

Josiah attended Barton Elementary, Crockett Middle School and graduated from Irving High School in 2002. During high school, he played on Irving Schools Hockey Team, The Wolf Pack, as a defenseman.

Students attending Irving High School remembered Josiah's life and his sacrifice at a memorial in his honor. Members of the school's ROTC program stood watch over the memorial that included a reproduction of the Liberty Bell. The Irving School's Foundation has established a scholarship in Josiah's honor.

Reverend Todd Gaston officiated Josiah's funeral service at Plymouth Park Baptist Church on Oct. 23. Specialist Josiah H. Vandertulip was laid to rest in DFW National

Cemetery. Josiah will be greatly missed by all those who knew and loved him, and the country has lost a brave and committed soldier. Memorial donations may be made to the American Red Cross.

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Vandertulip, Josiah Hanan



VANDERTULIP, JOSIAH HANAN, of Irving, passed away Thursday October 14, 2004 defending his country in Iraq. Josiah was born May 14, 1983 in Dallas to Robert Vandertulip and Louise Gardea Vandertulip. Josiah was a very unique and committed individual, a charming and witty person who liked to cut-up and keep those around him happy, but he could also be very stubborn at times. He loved hockey, video games, snow skiing and watching movies. But most of all Josiah loved God, his family and his country. He will be greatly missed by all that knew and loved him; we have lost a good soldier. He

was a member of Plymouth Park Baptist Church and graduated from Irving High School in 2002 where he played on Irving Schools Hockey Team, The Wolf Pack, as a defenseman. He is survived by his parents, Robert and Louise Vandertulip of Irving; brother, Craig and wife Kaeli, their son, Gryphon and Craig's daughter, Kailey of Irving; brother Micah and wife Jennifer of Wylie; sister Asa of Irving; brother Caleb of Irving; paternal grandparents, late John J. and Betty Vandertulip of Tyler; maternal grandparents, Dr. Raymond & Eleanor Gardea of El Paso. Visitation will be 11:00 A.M. until 9:00 P.M. at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Friday October 22, 2004. Funeral services will be held 2:00 PM Saturday, October 23, 2004 at Plymouth Park Baptist Church, 1714 N. Story Rd., Irving, with Rev. Todd Gaston officiating. Private interment will be at DFW National Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please make memorial donations to the American Red Cross. **Ben F. Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Inc. Family Owned & Operated Since 1963 707 N. MacArthur Blvd. Irving (972) 254-4242**

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**Josiah Vandertulip**

Spc. Josiah Hanan Vandertulip, 21, of Irving died Oct. 14 in Iraq. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home, 707 N. MacArthur Blvd. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Plymouth Park Baptist Church, 1714 N. Story Road. A private burial will be at a later date at Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery. J


Spc. Vandertulip was born May 14, 1983, in Dallas. He was a 2002 graduate of Irving High School. He loved hockey and was a defenseman for the Irving schools hockey team, the Wolf Pack. He belonged to Plymouth Park Baptist Church.

Survivors include his parents, Robert and Louise Vandertulip of Irving; brothers, Caleb Vandertulip and Craig Vandertulip and his wife, Kaeli, their son, Gryphon Vandertulip, and his daughter, Kailey Vandertulip, all of Irving, and Micah Vandertulip and his wife, Jennifer, of Wylie; sister, Asa

Vandertulip of Irving; paternal grandmother, Betty Vandertulip of Tyler; and maternal grandparents, Dr. Raymond and Eleanor Gardea of El Paso.

Memorials may be made to the American Red Cross.

*Oct 24, 2004*

**Bill Verdoorn Sr.** [View/Sign Guest Book](#)

VERDOORN, SR., BILL Funeral services for Bill H. Verdoorn, Sr., age 57, of Mesquite, TX will be held 3:00 PM Saturday, March 20, 2004 at the Galloway Ave. Baptist Church in Mesquite with Rev. Richard Dunn officiating. Burial will follow in the Laurel Land Memorial Park Cemetery with D.J. Ivey, Chris Verdoorn, Larry Gumpert, Houston Long, Nathan Renfro, and Brandon Anderson serving as pallbearers. Visitation will be held from 7:00 PM until 9:00 PM Friday, March 19, 2004 at the Chism-Smith Funeral Home in Irving, TX. Mr. Verdoorn passed away at 10:30 AM Tuesday, March 16, 2004 at his residence after a long illness. He was born April 15, 1946 in Dallas, TX to William H. and Grace Ashley Verdoorn. Mr. Verdoorn married Sheryl Gumpert on May 12, 1996 in Sulphur Springs, TX. She survives. He was a veteran of the Vietnam conflict having served in the US Air Force for 4 years. Later in his life he worked for C.C.A. Collection Agency of America until his illness forced him into early retirement. Survivors include his wife Sheryl Verdoorn of Mesquite, TX; Mother, Grace Ashley of Pleasant Grove, TX; 1 son, Billy Verdoorn, Jr. of Rowlett, TX; one daughter, Kym Noyes of Elmira, NY; 3 step sons, Brandon Anderson of Mesquite, TX, Christopher and Anthony Verdoorn both of Mesquite, TX; 1 brother, Richard Verdoorn of Dallas, TX; one sister, Sharon Verdoorn, of Pleasant Grove, TX. For those who wish donations may be made to the Sammons Cancer Center at Baylor Hospital of Dallas.

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## VICKREY

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Funeral services for Leroy Vickrey, 75 of Irving, will be Saturday, October 16, 2004 at 10 a.m. in Blair - Stubbs Chapel in Mexia with interment following in Ft. Enterprise Cemetery. Rev. Ronnie Stringfellow will officiate with Masonic graveside services. Visitation will be 7 - 9 p.m. on Friday night at the funeral home. Mr. Vickrey was born March 5, 1929 in Kosse and passed away on October 9 in Irving. He was a retired diesel Mechanic for Coca Cola for 21 years. He was reared in Mexia but had been in Irving since 1962. For a number of years he was in the National Guard. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Irving; Irving Masonic Lodge #1318 for 50 years; and Scottish Rite in Dallas. He is survived by five sons: Richard Vickrey and wife, Janet of Harrison, Tennessee; Mike Hall and wife, Kelly of Carrollton; Steve Hall and wife, Janell of Diamond Bar, California; Lewis Russell and wife, Shirley of Irving and Ricky Russell of Grand Prairie. He is survived by grandchildren: Jason and Justin Vickrey; Jeremy, Jessica and Joshua Hall; Brian, Sarah, and Molly Hall; Jeffrey Russell and wife, Angela; Julie Russell; Martin Russell and wife, Jenny, and David and Lauren Russell; a sister, Marietta Parker of Belton. He was preceded in death by his parents; Will Vickrey and Lola Wood Vickrey and by his wife Mary Vickrey and son, David Russell. Pallbearers will be Jason Vickrey, Jeremy Hall, Brian Hall, Martin Russell, Jeffrey Russell, David Russell and Nathan Hallford. Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society.

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**Mexia, Texas**  
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## Leroy Vickrey

Leroy Vickrey, 75, of Irving died Saturday. Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Blair-Stubbs Chapel in Mexia, Texas, with a Masonic burial service at Point Enterprise Cemetery.

Mr. Vickrey was born March 5, 1929, in Kosse, Texas. He retired as a diesel mechanic for Coca-Cola after 21 years of service. He grew up in Mexia and moved to Irving in 1962. He was a member of the National Guard for a few years. He also was a member of Irving Masonic Lodge No. 1318 for 50 years, Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas and First Baptist Church in Irving.

Survivors include his sons, Richard Vickrey and his wife Janet of Harrison, Tenn.; Mike Hall and his wife Kelly of Carrollton; Steve Hall and his wife Janell of Diamond Bar, Calif.; Lewis Russell and his wife Shirley of Irving; and Ricky Russell of Grand Prairie; sister, Marietta Parker of Belton, Texas; and 13 grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

**GILBERT VOIRIN**

Graveside funeral services for Mr. Gilbert Voirin, age 89, of Wills Point, TX, formerly of Irving, TX, were held Dec. 20 at Oak Grove Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mr. Voirin passed away Friday, Dec. 17, 2004 at his residence after a short illness.


He was born July 8, 1915 in Irving, TX to Emile and Mary Densmore Voirin. Mr. Voirin married Myrtle English on May 20, 1944 in Rockwall, TX. She preceded him in death Nov. 13, 1991.

Mr. Voirin was a veteran of WWII having served his country in the US Navy. After returning home from the war he became a carpenter by trade and built many of the houses in and around Irving. He has also been very active in the American Legion in Irving. After retirement he purchased a ranch in Wills Point, TX, where he enjoyed the peace and quite of country living until his death.

Survivors include son Bob Voirin of Wills Point, TX; preceded in death by son James Voirin, but survived by James' wife, Kathy of Watauga, TX; daughter, Barbara Jones and her husband, Robert of Wills Point, TX; daughter, Johnnita Miller and husband Joseph of Irving, TX; and son Dennis Voirin of Euless, TX; brother Grady Voirin and his wife Mary of Farmersville, TX; 13 Grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren and one great grandchild.

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VIZZO, ROCCO (Bob) passed away on May 30, 2004 in Irving, Tx. Survived by his loving wife Jennifer, son Michael Vizzo and his wife Welch and grandson Brandon Carpenter, daughter Maria Vizzo, stepchildren Patrick Teague, Joe Teague, Susan Tableman, Heather Wimmett, grandchildren Zoe Wimmett, Tyler Teague, Caroline Teague, Jessica McBrayer.

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