Arthur Dale Tate

Arthur Dale Tate, of Irving, Texas, passed away June 23, 2005. He was born March 3, 1924 in Wellington, Texas to Clarence Tate and Ruby Fulcher. He worked 38 1/2 years for the US Government in the Dept of Defense. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Irving, Texas. He was in the Scottish Rite and was a 32nd Mason. He is survived by his wife, June Tate; daughters, Junell Craft, Beverly Kay Smith, Sisters; Opal Freeman, Mariella Gibbs and Clarice Beckett, 4 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren. Graveside Services will be Saturday 2:00 PM June 25, 2005 at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens Irving, Texas. 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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Tate, Edward Claudell

TATE, EDWARD CLAUDELL, 81, of Irving TX, passed away on June 17, 2005. Edward was born in Picayune, Mississippi on December 22, 1923 to Monroe and Carrie Tate. He was a letter carrier for the US Post Office, the chief of Security at the Methodist Hospitals of Dallas, and a City of Irving school crossing guard at Paul Keys Elementary School. Mr. Tate is preceded in death by his parents and six brothers. He is survived by his loving wife of 59 years, Kathleen; four sons; David and wife Frances, Ron Tate, Richard and wife Terri and Russell Tate; daughter Claudia Tate and husband Tony Buckles; nine grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren and five sisters. Visitation will be held on Sunday, June 19 from 6-8 pm at Calvary Funeral Home. Funeral Services will be held on Monday, June 20 at 11 am in the Calvary Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow at Oak Grove Memorial Park.

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TIM TAYLOR

Tim Taylor, passed away December 7, 2005 after a long battle with chronic lymphatic leukemia. Tim was born October 13, 1935 in Evanston, IL to John Knox and Frances Barbour Taylor. He is survived by Sue, his wife of 29 years, his son Tim and wife Judy, stepsons Victor DeSimone and wife Kellie, and David DeSimone. The grandchildren he was so proud of are Geoffrey & Wesley Dubreuil-Taylor and Sara & Stacey DeSimone. Tim is also survived by his brother Jack Taylor and wife Marylee from Chicago, IL.

As a young man, Tim served in the 1st Marine Division at Camp Pendleton, CA. He was very actively involved in the Sports Car Club of America, racing and crewing for Alfa Romeo all over the USA and the world. Tim was a talented soccer player who continued to "take to the pitch" well into his 60's. He also served a vital role in the North Texas Soccer Association — both as a referee and a years. He and Sue loved traveling to Germany and Austria, enjoying the scenery, the adventures, and the people.

A memorial service will be held 2:00 p.m., Sunday, Dec 11, 2005 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel.

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Taylor, William David

TAYLOR, WILLIAM DAVID Passed away May 11, 2005 at the age of 60. He was born in Amarillo, Texas on January 4, 1945. He moved to Dallas in 1950, when his father opened the first of five Southern Maid Donut Shops in the Dallas Metroplex, where he worked with his parents and brother for many years. He graduated from Mesquite High School. He was married in 1964 to a petite young lady of Mesquite, Texas. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War from 1966-1968; he served as a private first class in the U.S. Army, and was stationed in Thailand; though this was a tough fight abroad, it was only a prelude to the impending fight of his life at home. Upon his honorable discharge, he returned home to his wife and all of the fun to be had, he obtained employment with Checksaier's, Inc., where he was employed for 36 years, and in 1978 he had a son. In August 1986, Bill was diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma, and he fought for himself and for his family since that very time. He was offered the chance of a lifetime, when he became a candidate for a stem-cell transplant, and he embraced it without flinching, like always. He fought his battle with cancer until, his last breath in the arms of his family and many friends, and with that last breath he actually won the battle of a lifetime. Bill was preceded in death by his father, Alonzo Benjamin (A.B.) Taylor, his mother, Wilma Maxine Taylor, and his brother, Richard Duane Taylor. He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Dorothy (Dottie); his son and only child, Andrew David Taylor; and his brother, James Robert (J.R.) Taylor and his wife Ann of Blossom, Texas, and their daughter, Shawn Taylor of Hollywood, California. He is also survived by his mother-in-law Alma Louise Lewallen; his aunts, Eula Morgan and Emma Griffith; his brothers and sisters-in-law, Red & Carolyn Kilstrom of Irving, Jimmie & Ann Lewallen of Payne Springs, and Linda & Harold Wright of Canton; great friends of more than 45 years, Jerry & Brenda, Pemberton, and their children, Scott & wife Cathy and, children, and Darla and husband, Billy; and all of his numerous nieces and, nephews, Eddie, Terry, Gary, Pam, Deborah, Randy, Karen and husband, James, Kenneth, and wife Debi, Kevin, and wife, Robin, Kelly, and husband, Robert, and all of his great-nieces and great-nephews, among them, Penny, and husband, Curtis, B.J., Kasie, Jason, Kristie, and husband, Matt, Kailey, Dustin, Erin, and Courtney. He is also survived by cousins and many friends and acquaintances from all of his path through life. The Funeral service celebrating Bill's life will be held 2:00 p.m. at Anderson Clayton Funeral Home on Saturday. Rev. Charles R. Diffee, Rev. Jerry D. Diffee, and Rev. Keith Treadway officiating. Internment will be held at the Dallas Fort Worth National Cemetery at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, May 16, 2005. The family will receive friends Friday evening from 6-8 at Anderson-Clayton.
EFFIE LEE TEEL

Effie Lee Teel, age 67, of Irving, TX, passed away on August 20, 2005.

Mrs. Teel was born on July 23, 1938 in Kilbourne, LA to Carl B. and Gladys E. Smith. She married Johnnie Teel in Waco, TX, and he preceded her in death in 1978.

Survivors include, daughters, Nelda Grimmitt of Irving, Carol Pomeroy of Nevada, Peggy Holley of Georgetown, TX; sisters, Linda Cannon of Irving, Gail Pugh of Tuscaloosa, AL, Brenda Martinez of Irving; brothers, Billy Smith of Irving, James Smith of Ponder, TX; 7 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Also preceding her in death is son, Ernest Grimmitt and grandson, Keith Pomeroy.

Funeral Services were August 23 at Chism-Smith Funeral Home with internment at Southland Park Cemetery in Grand Prairie.

She is survived by three daughters, Nelda Grimmitt of Irving, Carol Pomeroy of Nevada, and Peggy Holley in Georgetown; three sisters, Linda Cannon of Irving, Gail Pugh of Tuscaloosa, Ala., and Brenda Martinez of Irving; two brothers, Billy Smith of Irving and James Smith of Ponder; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a son, Ernest Grimmitt, and a grandson, Keith Pomeroy.
TEER, ROBERT HENRY, JR., loving husband and devoted father, went to be with the Lord on May 7, 2005. Henry was born April 11, 1937 to Robert Henry Teer, Sr. and Chellie Ann Bozeman Teer in Mexia, TX. He was preceded in death by his father. Henry is survived by his wife of 46 years, LaRue Pendley Teer; daughters and sons-in-law, Lisa and Jim Thomason of Bedford, Dana and Randy Allen of Cleburne, Karen and Paul Jordan of Irving; son and daughter-in-law, David and Neisha Teer of Houston; grandchildren, Jimmy, April & Amber Thomason, Sarah, Katie & Rachel Allen, Jennifer & Janae Taylor, Meliya Teer; mother, Chellie & sister Barbara Teer Barnes of Meadows Place, 1959 and went on to serve as an officer in the Army for 6 years, including 1 year in Vietnam for which he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with 18 oak clusters, Navy unit commendation ribbon and numerous other honors. After his service in the Army, he fulfilled his lifelong dream of soaring the skies as a pilot with Braniff International for 26 years. After retiring from being a pilot, he joined the FAA where he worked as an Aviation Safety Inspector. Funeral service will be 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 10, 2005 at Plymouth Park Baptist Church, where he served as an active deacon and faithful Sunday School teacher. Burial will follow at Dallas/Fort Worth National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Change the World/LifeQwest Ministries at Plymouth Park Baptist Church, 1714 N. Story Road, Irving, TX 75061. The family will receive friends at the funeral home, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Monday. Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home 606 W. Airport Frwy. (972) 579-1313 www.donnellyscolonial.com

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Robert Henry Teer Jr.

Robert Henry Teer Jr., 68, of Irving died Saturday, May 7, at his home.

He was born April 11, 1937, in Mexia to Robert Henry Teer Sr. and Chellie Ann Bozeman Teer. On Sept. 5, 1959, he married LaRue Pendley in Midland.

He graduated from Hardin-Simmons University in 1959 and went on to serve as an officer in the Army for six years, including one year in Vietnam, for which he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with 18 oak clusters, Navy unit commendation ribbon and numerous other honors.

After his service in the Army, he was a pilot with Braniff International for 26 years. After retiring, he joined the FAA, where he worked as an aviation safety inspector.

He attended Plymouth Park Baptist Church, where he served as an active deacon and Sunday school teacher.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 10, at Plymouth Park Baptist Church, with burial at Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery.

He was preceded in death by his father.

He is survived by his wife, LaRue Pendley Teer; mother, Chellie Teer of Fairfield; daughters, LisaCleburne and Karen Jordan of Irving; son, David Teer of Houston; brother Michael Teer of Grand Prairie; sister Barbara Teer Barnes of Meadows Place in Houston; and nine grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Change the World/LifeQwest Ministries at Plymouth Park Baptist Church, 1714 N. Story Road, Irving, TX 75061.
Terrell, David Paul

Terrell, DAVID PAUL, 59, went to be with the Lord on Sunday night, January 30, 2005, after a valiant battle with cancer. He was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma on February 22, 1945. He was preceded in death by his parents, Clifford & Iris Terrell of Tulsa. He is survived by a son, Paul David Terrell; a daughter, Paula Renee Terrell; three grandchildren; and two great grandchildren, all of Tulsa. David will be greatly missed by his family, his co-workers at Able Electric, and many faithful friends. David's family extends a special thank you to his caregiver, Kathy Stephens and the VNA. He fought a good fight, he finished his course, he kept the faith "II Timothy 4:7" ... and now he is home. A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, February 2, 2005 at 3:00 PM at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home with Rev. Don White officiating. 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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Thacker, Lorene Boyer

THACKER, Lorene Boyer, Of Irving, Texas passed away Thursday, May 26, 2005. Born November 16, 1919 in Foreman, Arkansas to Henry and Maggie Boyer, she grew up and graduated from high school in Ardmore, Oklahoma. She worked for Southwestern Bell Telephone for many years, moved to Texas in 1949 and lived in Grand Prairie and Irving until her death. She was a faithful member of the South MacArthur Church of Christ in Irving. She was preceded in death by husband Charles Thacker, son Ronnie Blalock and great-granddaughter Mariah Blalock. She is survived by three grandchildren, Tommy Blalock, Rondya Blalock, and Dawna Blalock and many other loving family members and friends. A graveside service will be officiated by Tim Lewis on Saturday, May 28, 2005 at 1:00 PM at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens in Irving.

LORENE BOYER THACKER

Lorene Boyer Thacker of Irving, Texas passed away Thursday, May 26, 2005. Born November 16, 1919 in Foreman, Arkansas to Henry and Maggie Boyer, she grew up and graduated from high school in Ardmore, Oklahoma. She worked for Southwestern Bell Telephone for many years, moved to Texas in 1949 and lived in Grand Prairie and Irving until her death. She was a faithful member of the South MacArthur Church of Christ in Irving. She was preceded in death by husband Charles Thacker, son Ronnie Blalock and great-granddaughter Mariah Blalock. She is survived by three grandchildren, Tommy Blalock, Rondya Blalock, and Dawna Blalock and many other loving family members and friends. A graveside service was officiated by Tim Lewis on Saturday, May 28 at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens in Irving.

Arrangements were made by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.
ROBERT "RIBEYE" THACKER

Robert "Ribeye" Thacker, blues singer of Irving, passed away October 26, 2005.

He was born October 9, 1947 in Irving. He is survived by his stepfather, Dwight Spangler of Irving; son, Robert J.B. Pike of Austin; brothers, Mike Spangler of Irving, David Thacker of Ft. Worth, Texas, and Charles Thacker of Waco, TX; and numerous friends.

A graveside service were held Nov. 4 at DFW National Cemetery, 2001 Mountain Creek Pkwy, Dallas. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the charity of your choice.
Thackerson, Yvonne C.

Thackerson, YVONNE C. "SUE", 84, from Irving, TX at rest Thursday, January 27, 2005. Preceded in death by her loving husband of 64 years, Dick Thackerson, her parents, four sisters and a brother. Survived by son, Richard K. Thackerson; daughters, Sonja K. Beam, Stacey L. Williamson; four grandchildren; five great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Funeral & Burial, 10:00 am, Monday both at Bluebonnet Hills Memorial Chapel and Park. Visitation, 4:00 - 6:00 PM, Sunday at the funeral home. **Bluebonnet Hills 817-281-8751**

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Juanelle Thomsen

Juanelle Talbott Thomsen, 72, of Lake Kiowa, Texas, died Tuesday at Harris Methodist Hospital in Fort Worth. Services were Friday at Whaley United Methodist Church with burial at DFW Cemetery. Arrangements were by Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home in Gainesville, Texas.

Mrs. Thomsen was born June 25, 1932, in Megargel, Texas. She graduated from Texas Tech University in 1953 with a degree in home economics. She retired from the Irving school district in 1991 where she worked as a science teacher. She was a member of the Texas State Teachers Association, the Lake Kiowa Women's Club and the Gourmet Club.

Survivors include husband Nels Thomsen Jr. of Lake Kiowa; son Nels Thomsen III of Roanoke; daughter Tamara Thomsen of Fort Worth; daughter-in-law LeAnn Brown of Trophy Club; and four grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Apparel Design Department at Texas Tech University, P. O. Box 41162, Lubbock, Texas 79409.
LINDA KAYE TILLER

Linda Kaye Tiller went to be with her Lord November 12, 2005 in Irving.

She was born January 25, 1953 in Muskogee, OK. Her mother, Rowena Kell and her brother Steven Kell preceded Ms. Tiller in death. Her son James Tiller, Jr., daughter Jamie Tiller, their father James Tiller, Sr., and daughter Christina Taylor Kell lovingly survive her. 7 grandchildren, brother Gary Kell, father Andy Kell and countless friends and family who will dearly miss her presence also survive her.

Visitation and viewing was Nov. 15 and the Funeral Service was Nov. 16 at Brown's Memorial Chapel. Graveside services and burial were at Greenhill Cemetery in Muskogee, OK on Nov. 17.

November 17, 2005
Amalia Tobar

Amalia Tobar, 81, died Feb. 24 in Irving. A Rosary service was held Feb. 24 at Calvary Funeral Home Chapel. A mass of Christian burial was celebrated Feb. 25 at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Dallas with burial following at Calvary Hill Cemetery in Dallas.

She was born Dec. 9, 1923, in Austin.

Survivors include sons Andrews Tobar Jr. of Arlington and Carlos Cruz of Dallas; daughters Mary Helen Hernandez, Tomas Nunez, Amalia Garza and Margarita Orozco, all of Irving, Susie Barron and Beatrice Tobar, both of DeSoto, and Lourdes Quintero of Grand Prairie; brother Cruz Hernandez of Pleasant Grove; sisters Julia Valdez of Pleasant Grove and Enedina Martinez; 36 grandchildren; 52 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.
Gladys Todd

Gladys Todd, 93, of Irving died March 27. A graveside service was March 30 at Elmwood Memorial Park in Abilene.

She was born Feb. 3, 1912, in Voss, Texas. In 1938, she married Avery Todd, who preceded her in death. She was a dorm supervisor for Abilene State School.

Survivors include, her daughters, Wanda Wyatt and Joyce Spangler; son, Avery Todd Jr.; three grandchildren and four great grandchildren.
STANLEY ALLEN TOWNER

Stanley Allen Towner, of Irving, passed away Monday, September 26, 2005.

He was born November 17, 1924 in Perry, Michigan. Stanley was a member of Plymouth Park Baptist Church and enjoyed walking, bicycling, stamp collecting, and traveling.

Survivors include his son, Stanley Allen Towner, II, and wife, Christina of Irving; daughter, Mary Annette Towner Behling of Lewisville; 6 grandchildren; and 2 great grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held at 12:00 PM Saturday, October 1, 2005 at Hillcrest Memorial Park, Dallas. He will be in state at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home from 10 AM - 4 PM Friday.
TRUETT, JAMES RAY Age 62 of Kaufman, TX, passed away May 17, 2005. He was born November 5, 1942, in Wood County, TX, to James Hollis and Opal Fay (Horn) Truett. Mr. Truett was a retired commercial insulation installer, and was a member of Local Union #21 in Dallas, TX. He was also a member of First Baptist Church of Kaufman. He is survived by his wife: Jackie Truett of Kaufman, TX; son: Russell Truett of Rockwall, TX; stepson: Jacob Congleton of Dallas, TX; daughter: Angela Duzan & husband Tim of Rockwall, TX; stepdaughter: Tammy Congleton of Kaufman, TX; mother: Opal Fay Truett of Wills Point, TX; brothers: Jerry Truett & wife Patricia of Canton, TX, and Jimmy Truett & wife Lela of Edgewood, TX; sister: Brenda Truett of Forney, TX; and grandchildren: Hanna Truett, Kailee Duzan, and Kailey Lampkin. Funeral services will be held 2:00pm Friday, May 20, 2005, at the First Baptist Church, 302 S. Washington, Kaufman, TX, with Dr. Brent Gentzel and Rev. Jerry Truett officiating. Interment will follow in Rest Haven Memorial Park. The family will receive friends Thursday evening at the funeral home from 7:00 to 9:00pm. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 1615 Stemmons Frwy, Dallas, TX, 75207, or to the American Diabetes Association, 4425 W. Airport Frwy, Suite 130, Irving, TX, 75062.

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Lutheran Church located at 2901 N. O'Connor Road in Irving, with Pastor Raye Jean Zelle officiating. M.F. Brown's, 600 E. Franklin, Irving.

Browns Memorial Funeral Home: Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, December 29th at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. The family will receive friends from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Wednesday at M.F. Brown's. The family will receive friends from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Wednesday at M.F. Brown's.

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OBE Obituaries Notices

Rosa Elva Mesta Tucker, 79, of Plano, passed away January 24, 2005 after a brief illness, born November 7, 1935 in Del Rio, Texas. She graduated from Del Rio High School in 1957. She married and later had children.

Rosa was born in Del Rio, Texas, to Benjamin and Ada (Gonzalez) Milé. She graduated from Del Rio High School in 1957.

After moving to Plano, she earned a degree in education from Texas Women's University. She then began her career teaching at Milberger Elementary School in Plano, eventually becoming a principal.

In addition to her teaching, Rosa was an active member of the local community, serving on various boards and committees. She was known for her dedication to education and her love for her students.

Rosa is survived by her husband of 40 years, Paul Tucker, and their two children, Lisa Tucker and John Tucker. She is also survived by her parents, Benjamin and Ada Milé, and her sister, Jan Milé.

A memorial service will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Plano, Texas, at 2 p.m. on January 30, 2005. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Plano Education Foundation.

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A memorial service will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Plano, Texas, at 2 p.m. on January 30, 2005. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Plano Education Foundation.
Turns, Roselyn Latour

TURNED, ROSELYN LATOUR, 86, of Grapevine, passed away on March 19, 2005 after a lengthy illness. Rosie was a loving mother, grandmother, and friend to all that knew her. She was born in Duluth, MN on April 3, 1918 and moved to Dallas, graduating from Irving High School in 1936. She married Raymond Dial Turner, Sr., on September 1, 1940. After working over 35 years in banking, she retired and spent more time with her 3 sons and family. Rosie enjoyed sewing, gardening, painting, and many other hobbies. Survived by sons, Raymond Dial "Skip" Turner, Jr. and wife, Mindy of Flower Mound, Ronald "Dale" Turner and wife, Joyce of Euless, and Richard "Delmon" Turner of St. Louis, MO. Rosie is survived by her beloved grandchildren, Misty Lauren Turner of Austin, TX and Chelsea Noel Turner and her mother, Rhonda of Houston, TX; best friends, Judy Sutherland of Arlington, TX; "Stepson", T.K. Thomas of Dallas, and grandchildren, Bret and Taylor Larson of Keller, TX. Rosie was preceded in death by her loving parents, 2 sisters, 2 brothers, and husband, plus many other family members and friends. To know Rosie was to love her. She will be dearly missed. The family will receive friends at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home, 606 W. Airport Freeway, Irving, Sunday, 3/20/05 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Funeral service 1:00 p.m. Monday 3/21/05 at Mid-Cities Bible Church, 3224 Cheek-Sparger Road, Bedford, TX 76022 (817) 283-1609. Burial will follow at Bluebonnet Hills Memorial Park, 5801 Colleyville Blvd. (Hwy 26) Colleyville, TX 76034. Memorials may be made to Mid-Cities Bible Church or Meals-on-Wheels of Tarrant County, 320 S. Freeway. Fort Worth, TX 76104 (checks designated: "In Loving Memory of Rosie Turner and for Client Services Only") or a charity of the donor's choice. Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home 606 W. Airport Freeway. (972) 579-1313 www.donnelleyscolonial.com

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