MARIUUGALDE

Maria Ugalde, age 77, of Irving passed away on December 2, 2007. She was born on May 30, 1930 in Mexico to Juan and Gregoria Ugalde.

Maria is survived by daughters, Maria Delores Guerecia, Maria Rosa Guerecia, Maria Celia Mata, Maria Amila Valenzuela, Maria Alejandra Obando, Maria Gelix Guerecia, Maria Ascencion Gomez, sons, Angel Guerecia, Albert Guerecia, Mario Guerecia, Juan Guerecia; 42 grandchildren and 47 great-grandchildren

Funeral Services were held on Dec. 4 at Saint Luke Catholic Church with internment following at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Chism-Smith Funeral Home handled the arrangements.
Urban, Donald

Urban, Donald William died on November 14th following a brief battle with brain cancer. Born to Martha (Orling) and Arthur Urban, on July 23, 1935 in Cleveland, OH. Graduated from Case Western Reserve with BS and MS degrees in Chemical Engineering. A natural salesman, he enjoyed a 27-year career with Union Carbide and a second career in real estate. Married to Connie Lundgren, on October 25, 1957. Don's devotion to her, following a stroke in 2005, touched the hearts of many. Pre-deceased by parents Martha and Arthur Urban, and his brother George. He leaves behind his beloved wife of 51 years, daughter Tami and husband Kurt, and daughter Melissa and husband Kevin. Don is also survived by his brother Art Urban and wife Ruth of Red Lodge, MT; his beloved grandchildren Tom, Jessica, Jonathan Hendrix; and Lauren and David Wilcox. Internment at 3 pm Thursday November 20, Fitzhugh Cemetery in Lucas followed by a celebration of his life at 10 am on Friday November 21st at King of Glory Lutheran Church, 6411 LBJ Freeway, Dallas TX. The family wishes to thank his friends at Heritage Ranch, the staff at Vitas Hospice and Victoria Gardens Allen for their support and care. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial gifts be made to Vitas Hospice or King of Glory Lutheran Church.

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Juanita Janette Vandagriff, of Irving, passed away Thursday, June 12, 2008. She was born May 6, 1923 in Winnsboro, Texas. She enjoyed sewing and reading.

Preceded in death by her parents James Ashbury Baber and Ona Lee Baker, sisters Opal Harrison and Jewel Rich, niece Doris Rich, and husband Charles Vandagriff, survivors include her daughter Judith Ann Page and husband John of Irving; sister Jimmie Lee Lindsey of Campbell, Texas; grandchildren Katherine Griffith and husband Jim and Kristopher McCuller and wife Lindsey; and 3 great grandchildren. Graveside services will be held at 10 AM Monday, June 16, 2008 at Pike Community Cemetery in Pike, Texas. Visitation: 4-6 PM Saturday at the funeral home.
WANDA R. VARNADO
1926 - 2008

WANDA R. VARNADO, age 82, a resident of Eustace, Texas since 2005, formerly of Irving, Texas for more than 50 years, died Sunday, October 12, 2008 at East Texas Medical Center in Athens, Texas. Born August 18, 1926 in Cross Cut, Texas to Roy and Ruby Wright Bennett, she was a member of the Episcopal Church of The Redeemer in Irving. Even after retiring from Parkland Memorial Hospital, as a registered nurse for 30 years, Wanda continued her love of caring for others. Her grandchildren were the other love of her life. Preceded in death by her husband of 55 years, Elvin Varnado; son, David Varnado; sisters, Waunice Little, Anita Torres and Edith Duncan; and brother, Charles Bennett. Survivors include her son, Steven B. Varnado of Dallas; daughter, Donna and husband Charles "Rusty" Easley of Eustace; grandchildren, Shannon Easley and Addison, David Easley and Deanna Browning, both of Eustace; great granddaughter, Mallory Mobley of Eustace; brother-in-law, Junior Varnado and wife Omega of Mesquite. Graveside Service will be 11 a.m., Thursday, October 16, 2008 at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens in Irving with The Rev. Gail N. Gateley officiating. The family will receive friends at Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home from 6 to 8 p.m., Wednesday. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or to the American Diabetes Association.

Varnado, Wanda R.
Varnado, Wanda R. age 82, of Irving, died October 12, 2008. Donnelly's Colonial
Funeral Home 972-579-1313.
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Alexus Keyiana Cunningham-Velasquez our little angel was born February 12, 2008 and went home on May 9, 2008 and is reunited with her uncle Stephen Perez. She leaves behind her mother Keyiana Cunningham; father Robin Velasquez; sister Angelina Renee' and brother Stephen Lee Velasquez. A Rosary was held on Tuesday at Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:00 A.M. Wednesday May 14, 2008 at Holy Family Catholic Church with Msgr. Jerome Duesman officiating. Interment will follow at Calvary Hill Cemetery in Dallas.

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Volk, Lillian

Volk, Lillian "Lilli" Beatrice Lilli Volk, a 39 year old homemaker, went to be with the Lord on June 30, 2008. A Memorial Service will be held at 4:00 pm, Thursday, July 3rd, at Aria Cremation Service & Funeral Home, 1820 N. Belt Line Rd. in Irving. Lilli was born December 7, 1968, in Philadelphia, PA, to Dorothy & Keith McGinnis. She was a loving wife, mother, daughter and sister. She was preceded in death by her father and her sister, Ellie McGinnis. Lilli will be greatly missed by all those who knew and loved her. Lilli is survived by her husband of 21 years, Joe Volk; son, Joseph Michael Volk; mother, Dorothy McGinnis; brothers, Fredrick Keith McGinnis of Ocola, FL, and Lloyd McGinnis of Sacramento, CA; and sister, Grace Luckenaugh and husband Terry of Ocola, FL. Aria Cremation Service & Funeral Home 1820 N Belt Line Road Irving TX 75061 (972) 607-4400

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Anita M. Vinson, 84, passed away December 16, 2008 in Irving. She was preceded in death by her husband H.B. Vinson, two sisters, Frances Miller and Barbara Boyd, and brother Ed Roberts. She is survived by her two sons, Ronald Vinson and Donald Vinson and wife Teresa; and sister Sue Dilda. Also surviving her are stepchildren Ann McGahee, Martha Mullins, Jerry Vinson and wife Linda, Russell Vinson and wife Becky, along with numerous nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. During her working career, Anita was active in the family business, Texas Driving School that she and her husband H.B. Vinson started in 1946. She will be missed by all that knew and loved her. Graveside services will be held at 11 AM Friday, December 19, 2008 at Laurel Land Memorial Park, 6000 S. R.L. Thornton Frwy. in Dallas. Visitation: 6-8 PM Thursday at the funeral home.
Votteler, Theodore Paul

VOTTELER, M.D., THEODORE PAUL Named one of the "Best Doctors of America" from 1996-2000, passed away on May 23, 2008, in Dallas. He was born in 1927, in Portland, Oregon, to Theodore and Mary Gladys Parry Votteler and moved to the Dallas area in 1939. He graduated from Highland Park High School and was attending The University of Texas at Austin when he joined the U.S. Navy in 1945. After serving his country he went directly to the Tulane University School of Medicine where he graduated in 1951. He completed a Fellowship at Children's Hospital in Philadelphia, PA under Dr. C. Everett Koop. At 29, he started his career at Children's Medical Center in Dallas and a private pediatric surgery practice. Dr. Votteler was appointed medical director of surgical services and director of general surgery at Children's in 1960 and retired from the positions in 1993. In 1978, he performed the first of seven successful separations of conjoined twins. He became an international authority on conjoined twin separations, writing on them extensively. In 2001, Dr. Votteler retired from pediatric surgery practice, having performed more than 25,000 surgeries. He returned to The University of Texas at Austin in 2007 to complete his Bachelor of Arts degree in biology where he delivered a portion of the commencement speech at his own graduation. He was also a clinical professor at University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center. Dr. Votteler received numerous awards including the Highland Park High School Distinguished Alumni Award, Aesculapius Award, Children's Medical Center Distinguished Service Award, and the Tulane Medical School Life Time Achievement Award. He married Vermeile McCain Votteler on September 4, 1954 and they have two sons, Theodore P. Votteler Jr. (Tad) and Todd Haydn Votteler, Ph.D. He is survived by his loving wife, Vermeile Votteler; sons and daughters-in-law, Tad and Sally Ann Votteler, and Todd and Sharon Sullivan Votteler; grandchildren, Alexis Sutton Votteler, Theodore Paul Votteler III, Anna Grace Votteler, Victoria Frances Votteler; with one granddaughter on the way, Caroline Elizabeth Votteler. He is preceded in death by his brother, Robert Parry Votteler. A Memorial Service will be held at Highland Park Presbyterian Church, 3821 University in Dallas, at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 28, 2008, with Dr. Ron Scates officiating. Memorial donations may be made in memory of Dr. Votteler to the Highland Park Presbyterian Church Music Department or to the Whitefish United Methodist Church, PO Box 4248, Whitefish, MT 59937. Sparkman/Hillcrest Funeral Home and Cemetery 7405 W. Northwest Hwy. (214) 363-5401 Dignity Memorial

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