Hudson Salazar, Deborah A.

October 7, 1953 - August 6, 2013

Deborah Ann Hudson Salazar of Irving, Texas passed away on August 6, 2013. She was 59 years old.

Deborah is survived by her husband of 32 years, Michael D. Salazar; daughter, Shelby N. Salazar; grandchildren, Curtis W. & Gauge M. Salazar; parents, Margie L. & Donald Hudson; 2 brothers, Don Paul Hudson and his wife, Melissa, and Robby Dean Hudson; sister and her husband, Denice & Tod Linton; nephew, Donny Paul Hudson and niece, Kendall Lee Thomas.

Deborah was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, daughter, sister and friend who cared deeply for people, loved to garden and dearly loved her grandchildren. One cannot forget how much she loved her dog, J.D.

A Celebration of Life will be held at the Aria Funeral Home Chapel on Friday, August 9, 2013 at 2:00 PM.

Please send the family condolences and sign the guest book on this site.

Arrangements are under the direction of Aria Cremation Service & Funeral Home, 1820 N Belt Line Road, Irving, Texas 75061, 972 607.4400
Tony Salinas

Salinas, Tony Born June 13, 1940 in Dallas, TX and passed away January 10, 2013 in Irving, TX. He is survived by his brothers, Willie and Fred Salinas; sister, Julia Vasquez; sister-in-law, Lupe Ortega and many nieces and nephews. Visitation will be from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, Sunday, January 13, 2013 at Restland Funeral Home. Service will be at 2:30 PM, Monday, January 14 at Restland Memorial Chapel.

Condolences may be offered at www.RestlandFuneralHome.com

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Ben Sanders

Sanders, Ben N. 1932-2013 Passed away unexpectedly Sept. 23. A family memorial was held Oct. 28th. Gone ahead are dear parents Felton M. and Alice Sanders, and sister, Hellen J. Long. Survived by son, Noel, sister Shirley Sanders, brother-in-law Wayne Long, nieces and nephews, and cousins. As a teen, Ben entertained with the Sheldon Brothers in western clubs. In the 60's had the dance band at Ventura's Italian Village, then at Love Field's Executive Inn, followed by Las Vegas' Frontier Club and years of cruise bookings. He was a memorable vocalist/guitarist and funny-man. He was equally blessed with a tender heart and generous nature. We miss you Benjy. Note to friends Jodi, Larry, Charlie, Leo and those unnamed- you brightened his life. To leave condolences please visit www.ariacremation.com.

Published in Dallas Morning News on Nov. 24, 2013
Sanders, B. N. "Ben"

Leave a CondolenceSend Flowers

December 29, 1932 - September 23, 2013

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ARIA Cremation Service & Funeral Home

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Dallas, Texas 75238

214.340.8008
Lula Mae Sanson, of Southlake for 22 years, and previously from Irving, passed away January 5, 2013. She was born May 25, 1923 in Monticello, Arkansas. Lula Mae was preceded in death by her husband of 49 years, Carl Sanson. She is survived by her daughters Vonceille Marsh and husband Gary of Keller, and Robbie Haire of Irving; granddaughters Cheryl Langford and husband Gary of Arlington, Tammy Kennedy and husband Jason of Midlothian, and Christie Haire of Ft. Worth; and great grandchildren Zane and Lexi Kennedy. Graveside services will be held at 2:00 PM Wednesday, January 9, 2013 at Oakland Cemetery in Monticello, Arkansas with Pastor Gary Everett officiating.

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Santos, Carlos A.

June 9, 1944 - December 12, 2013

Carlos Alfonso Santos of Irving, Texas passed away on December 12, 2013. He was 69 years old.

Please send the family condolences and sign the guest book on this site.

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Irving, Texas 75061

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Emma Lee Savage

July 5, 1924 - March 19, 2013

Emma Lee Savage, age 88 of Irving, TX, passed away Tuesday, March 19, 2013. She was born on July 5, 1924 in the small west Texas town of Maverick to her parents Edgar Florence and Mary Etta Brooks. At the age of six her family moved to the city of Irving. As the youngest of six children, Emma Lee loved to play sports and was quite the shortstop on the softball field. As a student she attended Old Red School on Jefferson Street.

Emma's life was changed when she met the love of her life, Charlie Joe Savage. They were married on April 8, 1939 when Emma was just 14 years of age, and from there they began to create a beautiful family together. Emma was proud to be the mother of four children-Emma Jo, Lucian, Lynn and Christi. Emma was not only loved by her family, but by her friends and the community. Emma spent years working for Taylor Publishing Company where she impacted and influenced the lives of all she encountered. As an active member of South MacArthur Church of Christ, Emma could be found singing hymns or helping with churchwide events. She was well known for her beautiful singing voice and her love for music. She sang her entire life with her beloved sister, Lois. "Pickin and Grinnin" was one of her favorite things to do. Anytime anyone of the family was around, they would pull out hymnals and sing old songs, and if Bobby Thomas was available he would play guitar and accompany them on all sorts of fun songs. Emma LOVED to sing! She sang with her sister Lois and her precious nieces Iva and Jan for many years. They would always be in demand for singing at various functions including meetings of the Priceless Personality Club (PPC) of which she was a treasured member. Emma was in the Miss Mature Irving pageant in the fall of 1984, barely qualifying by turning 60 just two months before. She was by far the most beautiful and talented contestant, but ended up finishing second to a sweet woman in her ninety's. In her last 15 years she was blessed to travel to both London and Hawaii with her sister Lois, and several nieces and great nieces. It was a wonderful experience and she talked about these trips many times.

Emma loved dogs and wanted so much to have one in her later years, but their upkeep was simply too demanding for her. Instead she became one of the "grandmothers" to Christie's dogs Biggio and Kramer. All of the children will be forever grateful for the love that was given to her by her entire family as well as countless friends. So many of them were there for her and it was God's way of sending Angels.

Preceding her to heaven included her parents, her husband Charlie Joe of 45 years, her grandson Craig, all of her sisters, her brother and many nieces, nephews and friends. Life will go on for family and friends, and new family member will come to learn Emma's legacy which will forever live and her stories will be passed down and the circle of life will continue as it should. Emma's traits have already been engrained in her four children, eight grandchildren, twelve great grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren (with another on the way). Undoubtedly, Emma's last message to both family and friends would be to love one another always, be there for others and trust the Lord in every aspect of your life. Rest With Jesus and the Angels Sweet Mother

www.chismsmithfh.com
Terry Schacherl

Schacherl, Terry Michelle Terry Schacherl, 55, of Carrollton passed away Jan. 29, 2013. Funeral service will be held Thurs., Feb. 7, 2013, 2:00 PM at Restland Coppell Chapel, 400 S. Freeport Pky, Coppell, TX. Visitation will be 2 hours prior to service. Interment will take place at Hilltop Memorial Park. For full obituary please visit www.metrocresthilltop.com

Published in Dallas Morning News on February 6, 2013

Terry Schacherl

- September 13, 1957 - January 29, 2013
- Carrollton, Texas

Terry Michelle Schacherl passed away Tuesday January 29, 2013 in Carrollton TX surrounded by her loving family. She fought a courageous 16 month battle with cancer. Terry was born September 13, 1957 in Corpus Christi to Stanley & Grace Duplessis. She married her high school sweetheart & would have celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary in March 2013. Her beautiful smile, wonderful personality, infectious spirit, & zest for life will be greatly missed by her family. She loved to laugh, dance, attend pool parties, & play horseshoes. Her love of animals had her feeding up to 8 stray cats at one time. But she was especially proud of her 3 children & loved them dearly. Terry is preceded in death by her mother Grace Duplessis. She is survived by her husband Rob Schacherl of Carrollton TX, two daughter's Natalie & her husband Marc Elmore of Dallas TX, Marissa Schacherl, & son Nathaniel Schacherl both of Carrollton TX. Her father Stanley & his wife Rosalie Duplessis of Corpus Christi TX, two brothers, Richard & his wife Grace Duplessis of Rockport TX, Brian & his two sons Jacob & Caleb Duplessis of Corpus Christi TX, and many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews & cousins. In lieu of flowers, Terry requests a donation to Operation Kindness.
Norvester Scott Sr.

Scott Sr., Norvester 66, passed away October 31, 2013. Service: Saturday, November 9, at 2:00 p.m. at West Irving COGIC, 4011 Conflans, Irving, Texas. Survivors: his sons, Norvester Scott, Jr., Ezell Scott, Ashton Scott and Reginald Rogers, daughter, Bridgette Abada and a host of grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren, relatives and friends.

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Joe Bill Papa Joe Scrivner, Sr., passed away peacefully in his sleep on Saturday, September 7, 2013. He was born September 14, 1922 to Fred and Judson Scrivner in Wister, OK. Following high school graduation in Plano, TX, Mr. Scrivner enlisted in the Army Air Corp in 1941. In 1945, Mr. Scrivner married Miss Eleanor Green of Loraine, Texas. He was honorably discharged from the military with the end of World War II. Choosing education as his vocation, Mr. Scrivner graduated from McMurray College in 1948. He rose quickly from teacher, coach, principal, to superintendent of schools during his career. He has served in communities such as Murchison, Rankin, Goliad, Dumas, Taylor and Irving, Texas. Mr. Scrivner retired from Irving ISD in 1983, and he and Mrs. Scrivner moved to Lake Buchanan. Before returning to Irving, TX in 1992, Mr. Scrivner worked part time as an education consultant for Temple ISD and a professor at Southwest Texas State University (now Texas State University) in San Marcos, training and mentoring future school superintendents. Mr. Scrivner is preceded in death by his wife, Eleanor Scrivner, his parents, his sister and three brothers. He is survived by his two sons J. Bill Scrivner, Jr. and James T. and wife Sharon Scrivner. He is also survived by his grandchildren: Amy Jamieson and husband Matt of Phoenix, AZ; Tamara Scrivner of Anaheim, CA; Christina Monjarraz and husband Jorge of Grand Prairie; Connor Scrivner and Stacy Lawrence of Irving; four great grandchildren and many cousins, nephews and nieces. Funeral Services will be held at 10:00 AM on Saturday, September 14, 2013 at Plymouth Park United Methodist Church in Irving with interment following at Hillcrest Memorial Park in Dallas. The family will receive friends on Friday, September 13, 2013 from 6-8 PM at the funeral home. Family requests memorial donations be made to the General Fund at Plymouth Park United Methodist Church 1615 West Airport Freeway Irving, Texas 75062 or http://www.ppumc.org.

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Ronald K. Searcy

Searcy, Ronald K. Age 64, passed away May 28, 2013. Ronald was born in Houston but moved to Dallas in 1973. He previously lived in California, Seattle, and New York. Ron was preceded in death by his mother, Lois Searcy, and by brother Phillip in 2009. Surviving family is Ronald's father, T. N. Searcy of Dallas, his brother Robert and wife Karroll of Irving, brother Douglas and wife Elizabeth of Ft. Worth, and two nephews, as well as many cousins, aunts, uncles, and friends. Ronald's passing was caused by an unexpected heart attack at his home, just six days after his mother's death. He will be missed.

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Jodi Michelle Seaver (In Memoriam)

Jodi Michelle Seaver Precious daughter, The 15 years since your tragic death have been sad beyond words. We are incomplete and diminished without you being in our lives. Time does not heal all things such hope is destined for futility. Though grief doesn't dim - moving onward produces endurance. And in Christ this endurance produces a hope not defeated by pain. Each day is a lesson in frustration, persistence, love, and faith. But we grow ever thankful that faith and love prevail and grow. Not a day goes by without loving thoughts and memories of you. Not a day without the hope of seeing you again becoming brighter. Praise God in Christ that the time of our reunion draws ever closer. Love always. Mom, Dad, Brian, and David

Published in Dallas Morning News on April 23, 2013
Betty Jo Seely
(May 9, 1924 - August 17, 2013)

BETTY JO SEELY, age 89, a resident of Shreveport, Louisiana formerly of Irving, died Saturday, August 17, 2013 in Shreveport. Born May 9, 1924 in Texarkana, Texas, she was the daughter of James H. Cosby and Hazel Hicks Cosby. Betty was a former switchboard operator and receptionist at Kroger Company in Irving. Preceded in death by her brother, James Cosby in 1972 and by her husband, Bobby Ray Seely in 2010, she is survived by her daughter, Amelia Heil and husband Bob of Dewey, Oklahoma; daughter, Nancy Young and husband Bill of Shreveport; grandchildren, Lori Parrish of Cedar Hill and Michelle Dingman of Bartlesville, Oklahoma; great grandchildren, Kylie Dingman, Jessa Milner, Ashton Gacsal and Drake Gacsal. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

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Martha Seidlitz

Seidlitz, Martha Kay Martha Kay Seidlitz, 95, longtime resident of Grand Prairie, TX, died at the VIP Living Center in Irving, TX, Sept. 16. Funeral services will be at 10:00 am Saturday, September 21 at Bean Massey Burge Funeral Home, 2951 Belt Line Rd., Grand Prairie, TX, with pastor, Ed Miller, of Englewood Baptist Church of Grand Prairie, officiating. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery at 3:00 p.m., Sept. 21, in Iowa Park, TX. Ms. Seidlitz was born Dec. 5, 1917 in Iowa Park, TX to Julius Albert Seidlitz and Annie Marie Kuehn Seidlitz. After 24 years of dedicated service in the administrative department with Keebler Company, now Kellogg’s Company, she retired. Kay then became a dormitory "mom" at Blinn College in Brenham, TX. She enjoyed volunteer work in different areas of the community. She was a past member of American Business Women’s Association, the Senior Citizens Center of Grand Prairie, AARP, The Golden Age Club of Grand Prairie, and Englewood Baptist Church. Kay was a talented chef and treated her family to many delicious holiday dinners. Her parents; brother, Curtis Seidlitz; and sisters, Laura Seidlitz, Judy Humphrey, Clara Vaughn, and Lillie Chappell preceded her in death. She is survived by nieces and nephews and many grand and great- grand-nieces and nephews. The family would like to express their gratitude to the members of Englewood Baptist Church, Baylor Hospital-Irving, Mountain Creek Retirement Home, Avanti, Vitas Hospice, and the VIP Living Center at Irving. Memorials are suggested to American Heart Association.

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Published in Dallas Morning News on September 19, 2013
Kenneth Semons, age 74 and 50 year resident of Irving, died on November 25, 2013. He was born in Idabel, OK on June 9, 1939 to Peter Leroy Semons and Oleta Coran Semons and went on to teach for 30 years until his retirement. Along with teaching at Irving High School, Kenneth was an active member of the National Education Association and the Texas State Teaching Association. He was an OU football fan who also enjoyed watching basketball, gardening and the outdoors. Kenneth is preceded in death by his parents and will be missed by his beloved wife Margaret Semons; daughters Melinda Gresham of Cedar Park, TX and Kim Land and husband Jim of Arlington; brother Charles Semons of Idabel, OK; granddaughter Alyssa Perry and husband Adam of Houston; grandson Nathan Gresham of College Station and granddaughters Sydney and Addison Land of Arlington. Funeral Services will be held at Oak View Baptist Church in Irving at 2:00 PM on Friday, November 29, 2013 with interment immediately following at Perry Cemetery in Carrollton. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 6-8 PM on Wednesday, November 27, 2013.
James Robert Shafer

May 22, 1951 - June 25, 2013

James Robert Shafer, age 62 of Irving passed away on Tuesday, June 25, 2013. He was born premature, weighing only two pounds on May 22, 1951 in Dallas to Johnnie and Nelda Shafer. James graduated from Irving High School in 1969 and knew his way around the metroplex and past and present establishments so well that he was known as a human GPS to family and friends. He was a real people person and that helped him in his careers as a service tech in the copy machine business and as a service manager in the automotive repair business. James loved music, photography and eating good food. He edited and published the Denison Family newsletter for several years, he had a way of making words come alive. James loved life and loved his family, he will be greatly missed. Survivors include, sisters, Ann Shafer, Sue Hart and husband Chuck; niece, Susan Hart Pigrenet and husband Toy; great niece and nephews, Blake, Brent, Brittany and Chase Pigrenet; great-great nephew, Bryson Buehler. A Memorial Service will be 2:00 p.m., Friday, June 28th at Chism-Smith Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers the family has requested donations be made to the Lymphoma and Leukemia Society of North Texas.

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Alonzo "Pete" Shelley

Shelley, Alonzo "Pete" Alonzo "Pete" Shelley, of Irving, passed away Wednesday, February 6, 2013. He was born March 5, 1929 in Round Mountain, Texas to parents Eli Marvin and Lena Alvina Karoline (Kroll) Shelley. Pete is preceded in death by his daughter Karoline Shelley. Survivors include his wife Kathleen Shelley of Irving; children John Shelley and wife Beverly of Taylorsville, Utah, Matthew Shelley and wife Persephone of Irving, Ruth Ann Christison and husband Dion of Grapevine, Garth Shelley and wife Lisa of Holly Lake Ranch, Texas, Joseph Shelley of Irving, Thomas Shelley of Irving, and Mary Shelley of Irving; eleven grandchildren; two great grandchildren; brother Eli Marvin Shelley of Marble Falls; and sister Sarah Young of Tow, Texas. Funeral services will be held at 10 AM Monday, February 11, 2013 at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Irving. Burial with Military Honors will follow at Restland Memorial Park in Dallas. The family will receive friends 6-8 PM Sunday at the funeral home, and also at the church for one hour prior to the service. Memorial donations may be made to American Diabetes Association , 4100 Alpha Road, Ste. 100, Dallas, TX 75244.

Published in Dallas Morning News on February 10, 2013
Alonzo "Pete" Shelley, of Irving, passed away Wednesday, February 6, 2013. He was born March 5, 1929 in Round Mountain, Texas to parents Eli Marvin and Lena Alvina Karoline (Kroll) Shelley. Pete is preceded in death by his daughter Karoline Shelley. Survivors include his wife Kathleen Shelley of Irving; children John Shelley and wife Beverly of Taylorsville, Utah, Matthew Shelley and wife Persephone of Irving, Ruth Ann Christison and husband Dion of Grapevine, Garth Shelley and wife Lisa of Holly Lake Ranch, Texas, Joseph Shelley of Irving, Thomas Shelley of Irving, and Mary Shelley of Irving; eleven grandchildren; two great grandchildren; brother Eli Marvin Shelley of Marble Falls; and sister Sarah Young of Tow, Texas. Funeral services will be held at 10 AM Monday, February 11, 2013 at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Irving. Burial with Military Honors will follow at Restland Memorial Park in Dallas. The family will receive friends 6-8 PM Sunday at the funeral home, and also at the church for one hour prior to the service. Memorial donations may be made to American Diabetes Association, 4100 Alpha Road, Ste. 100, Dallas, TX 75244.

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Bernard T. Shemo of Irving passed away June 6, 2013 in Irving. He was born to John & Mary Shemo on February 13, 1933 in Sawyerville, Pennsylvania. He was the youngest of 9 children. He retired from the US Army in 1972 after 20 years of active service and was a Bronze Star recipient. He was a member of VFW Post 2494 and a member of Oak Haven Methodist Church of Irving. Preceded in death by his parents; wife of 48 years Clara Mae Shemo; brothers, Albert; John; Andrew; George; Joseph and Stephen and sisters Helen and Mary. He is survived by sister in laws: Carrie Pearl Marshall and Helen Crofford; brother in law LaVerne Bailey; Nieces Tanya Baugus and husband R. V.; Kay Crofford; Roberta Long and husband Duane; and Elaine Shults; nephews Martin Edward Lindenblatt and wife Robbie; Jim Lindenblatt and wife Barbara and many other great nieces, nephews, family and friends. The family will receive friends from 6:00 to 8:00 pm Monday June 10, 2013 at the funeral home. Funeral service will be held at 1:00 pm Tuesday, June 11th at Brown’s Memorial Funeral Home with interment to follow at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. Memorial donations may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project.

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Rev. Dr. Joseph R. Sheppard  
Rev. Dr. Joseph R. Sheppard was born and raised in Terrell, Texas on July 5, 1935. He was taught the word of God in his Christian home by his father & mother, Rev. & Mrs. Wilburn G. Sheppard. His father was pastor of the Mt. Hebron Baptist Church of Terrell, Texas until his death. Rev. Sheppard received his call/commission at an early age. He was later licensed on May 30, 1954 at the Bethlehem Baptist Church, in Terrell, Rev. M.L. Bradford, Pastor. June 4, 1956 he received his ordination at the Riverside Baptist Church of Dallas, Texas, Rev. A.H. Haggerty, Pastor. In February 1961 he began courting the Ben Washington Baptist Church and was called in April to serve as full time Pastor. Under Pastor Sheppard’s leadership, The West Irving Improvement Association (WIIA) was organized in 1963. The WIIA was among the first in the Nation to sponsor a “Head Start” Program. Besides having served the BWBC Pastor Sheppard cherishes the memory of eight years (1973-1981) of “Sharing the Faith” on channel 8 and the receiving of his doctorate degree from Guadalupe College and Seminary. In 1992, Pastor Sheppard received Irving’s “High Sprited Citizen” Award. In October, 1995 he was awarded Irving’s “Salt & Light Award”. 2005-2006 ....Selected as an Honor Member of the Heritage Registry of Who’s Who Edition. April 25, 2010 Pastor Sheppard was featured with three other local Pastors by the Dallas Morning News Religion Section titled “Living Legends”.  
October 16, 2010 NAACP “Clergy of the Year Award.” April 16, 2011 Pastor Sheppard was recognized at the “Tenth Unsung Heroes Luncheon Honoring Men of Valor” by ETA PHI Beta Sorority, Inc. Epsilon Chapter. May 19, 2011 joint recognition from the Boy Scouts & Gideons at their breakfast in Irving, TX. He had been a citizen of Dallas County for 57 years. Rev. Sheppard served as a member of the hierarchy of associational leadership including the National Missionary Baptist Convention of America, Inc., a member of the Baptist Training Union Board of the Missionary Baptist General Convention of Texas, Emeritus 1st Vice Moderator of the Fellowship District Association and the Irving Ministerial Association. Elected and served as Treasury of the North Zone Branch of the Missionary Baptist Convention of Texas. Rev. Sheppard died Monday, January 14, 2013 from cancer at the age of 77. The funeral is on Saturday, January 19, at Noon located at the Calvary Church.
Rev. Dr. Joseph Sheppard

Sheppard, Rev. Dr. Joseph Age 77 passed away on Monday Jan. 14, 2013. Visitation will be Friday. 1/18/13. 7-9PM at Ben Washington BC, the service will be Sat 1/19/13 At Calvary Church 12 noon. Dr. Sheppard will be remembered for his many contributions to the Dallas Area. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Mrs. Maudine Sheppard, and 6 children. Servant of God Well Done! Heavenly Gate Funeral Services, Garland TX 972-240-2121

Published in Dallas Morning News on January 18, 2013
Jesse Patrick "Pat" Shields
(November 24, 1926 - August 20, 2013)

JESSE PATRICK “PAT” SHIELDS, slipped away Tuesday, August 20, 2013, in the afternoon while listening to some of his favorite hymns. An informal Memorial Service is planned at 2:00 p.m., Saturday afternoon at Village Baptist Church, 224 East Grauwyler Road in Irving. Pat was born in Johnson County, near Knoxville, Arkansas on November 24, 1926 to the late John Paul and Bessie Lamb Shields. He felt called to the ministry at a young age and actively pursued that calling as pastor, church builder in Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Missouri, singer of hymns and southern gospel songs, and as teacher, after moving to Texas in connection with a job with Coburn Optical. He was also a pilot and loved to fly until the North Texas skies became so crowded. He is survived by his wife of 23 years, Frances Belk Shields; brother, James Roger Shields and wife Ruenell; sister, Margie Florine Brown; sons, Michael Terrance Shields and wife Linda, and Rev. Timothy Patrick Shields and wife Kathy; daughters, Belinda Gail Shields Young and Susan Yvonne Shields Hetig and her husband, Kevin Hetig; step-children, James W. Belk and wife Jesselyn, Gail B. Smith and husband Dave; many grand and great grandchildren and step-grand and great grandchildren; and a host of beloved nieces and nephews.
Michael Paul Shubin (1936 - 2013)

Shubin, Michael Paul died September 13 in Irving. He was born September 7, 1936 in San Francisco, CA. He is survived by his wife Birta and sons Curtis and Scott, daughter Lisa and husband Scott along with two grandchildren Elias and Xavier. A private service will be held in Galveston. Memorials may be made to DFW Humane Society.

Published in Dallas Morning News on September 20, 2013
Jane M. Shultz, loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother and Irving resident for 55 years, died on August 12, 2013. She was born on June 4, 1924 to Robert James and Viola Byrd Miller in Cleburne, Texas. Jane developed a strong faith in God and raised her children to follow in her footsteps, becoming a longtime member of First United Methodist Church in Irving, serving both as the Music Librarian and working in the daycare because of her love for children. She was an excellent seamstress and wonderful cook. Jane is preceded in death by her parents, brother James Byrd Miller and sisters Robbie Leanore Jones and Patience Marie Hendricks. She is survived by her husband Donald E. Shultz of Irving; daughters Carol Simonsen and husband Craig of Montana, Claire Stiegelmar and husband Jack of Colorado, Sharon Mabie and husband Chip of Keller and Sheryl Hotop and husband Allen of Missouri; son Donald Shultz and wife Martha of Lewisville; thirteen grandchildren and six great grandchildren; sister Jacquelyn Prickett of Fort Worth and numerous nieces and nephews. A funeral service will be held at 10:00 am on Friday, August 16, 2013 at the First United Methodist Church in Irving with interment immediately following at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 pm on Thursday, August 15, 2013 at the funeral home. Memorial donations can be made to First United Methodist Church of Irving, www.fumcirving.org; Operation Smile, www.operationsmile.org or St. Jude Children’s Hospital, www.partnersinhope.org.

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Paul “Pop” Shwaiko (1933 - 2013)

Shwaiko, Paul (Pop) Of Irving, Texas passed away on August 10, 2013 in Dallas, Texas. He wished to have his body donated to science and to forego any type of traditional memorial service. Paul was born July 4, 1933 in Kenosha, WI. He graduated from Kenosha High School in 1952 and then lettered in football at the University of Wisconsin where he received his Bachelor of Science degree. He married Rose Marie Starks of Madison, WI in 1957. Paul and Rose moved to Moorhead, MN in 1959 where he worked for Fairmont Foods Creamery and they raised their 3 children. In 1980, the Shwaiko family moved to Texas. He is survived by: his ex-wife Rose Shwaiko; daughter, Roxy and Mark Fehl of Abilene, TX; son, Jay Paul and Nancy Braun Shwaiko of Austin, TX; son, William B and Dana Shwaiko of Arlington, TX; his grandchildren Carlie and Louie Fehl, Ashley (Shwaiko) Young and her husband Jeff, Brooke and Sophia Shwaiko, and great grandchild Harper Young. His brothers Stephen, Alex and George Shwaiko and their families and countless friends, also survive him. We love and miss you Pop.

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Vlasta Shrum

Shrum, Vlasta Vlasta Shrum, of Kerens, Texas, and previously a longtime resident of Irving, passed away Wednesday, February 27, 2013. She was born May 23, 1918 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She is preceded in death by her husband Richard Shrum, Sr., whom she married in 1935. Survivors include her sons Richard Shrum, Jr. and wife Doris of Irving, and Michael Shrum and wife Dianne of Kerens; grandchildren Jaime Bybee, Summer Ketcherside, Christopher Shrum, and Cassie Clair; and brother George Fridrich of Houston. Funeral services will be held at 2 PM Saturday, March 2, 2013 at Brown’s Memorial Chapel. Graveside services will be held at 1 PM Monday, March 4, 2013 at Restland Memorial Park in Dallas. The family will receive friends 6-8 PM Friday at the funeral home.

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Vlasta Shrum, of Kerens, Texas, and previously a longtime resident of Irving, passed away Wednesday, February 27, 2013. She was born May 23, 1918 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She is preceded in death by her husband Richard Shrum, Sr., whom she married in 1935. Survivors include her sons Richard Shrum, Jr. and wife Doris of Irving, and Michael Shrum and wife Dianne of Kerens; grandchildren Jaime Bybee, Summer Ketcherside, Christopher Shrum, and Cassie Clair; and brother George Fridrich of Houston. Funeral services will be held at 2 PM Saturday, March 2, 2013 at Brown’s Memorial Chapel. Graveside services will be held at 1 PM Monday, March 4, 2013 at Restland Memorial Park in Dallas. The family will receive friends 6-8 PM Friday at the funeral home.

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Dr. George W. Sibley
(August 8, 1922 - January 12, 2013)

George Warren Sibley, 90, of Dallas, Texas, joyfully entered into the presence of his Lord and Savior on Saturday, January 12, 2013. A celebration of his life will be held on Wednesday, January 23, at 10:00 a.m., in the Sanctuary of First Baptist Church of Dallas. The family will receive guests immediately following the service. George was born on August 8, 1922, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana to George and Mona Mae Sibley. George’s life began impacting others when at the age of six, he received Jesus Christ as his Savior. He has left a legacy of a life lived serving his Lord that will influence generations to come. His commitment to trusting Christ’s leading was seen in his military service in World War II where he was awarded the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star, among other awards. He was actively involved at First Baptist Church as a Deacon, Sunday School teacher, and Chapel Choir sponsor. George was committed to encouraging a love for the Lord in his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. He was among the first Orthopedic surgeons in Dallas, and became the extension of God’s healing hands in the lives of his patients. He met Mary Elizabeth “Bette” Quesenberry, who was to be the love of his life, and married her on May 17, 1945.

George is survived by his five children: Gary Sibley, Jim Sibley, Keith Sibley, Ken Sibley, and Becki Sibley Carmichael; their spouses; fourteen grandchildren; eleven great grandchildren; nieces; nephews; a host of friends; and a recent wife, Linda Copeland Sibley.

Listed here are two options for those who wish to make a contribution in honor of Dr. George Sibley: 1) The George and Bette Sibley Scholarship fund for Jewish Studies at Criswell College; 2) Pasche Institute at Criswell College. Both may be sent directly to the college at 4010 Gaston Avenue, Dallas, Texas.
Patrick Sibley

Sibley, Patrick McAdams came into the world on December 9, 1987 in Plano, Texas to Dr. Mark McAdams Sibley and Miriam Robertson Sibley. He left us unexpectedly on March 8, 2013 in Irving, Texas. Patrick attended Richardson schools and graduated from Lake Highlands High School in 2006. He was a wonderful, intelligent young man and was known for his sharp wit and hilarious ability to impersonate almost anyone. Patrick spent many hours discussing politics with friends, and especially, his dad. His greatest gifts and what we will most remember are his gentle spirit and kind soul. Patrick loved his family and friends with a depth that was remarkable. They, in turn, loved him back with that same intensity. Our world will not be the same without Patrick, but we are comforted by the knowledge that he is at peace with our Heavenly Father, and we will be reunited with him there someday. Preceded in death by grandparents, Dr. Marilyn McAdams Sibley and J. Dale Sibley. Survived by parents, two brothers: Austin Robertson Sibley and Lee Montgomery Sibley; one sister, Meredith Kathryn Sibley; grandparents, Dr. W.V. (Mike) Robertson and Kathryn Lemmerhirt Robertson; aunts and uncles: Dr. David and Pam Sibley, Dr. Stuart and Debra Sibley, Dr. Julia Robertson and Kari Oppliger, Linda and Kent Sams, Michael and Cindy Robertson, Martha and Matt Lee; and numerous cousins, extended family, and friends. Funeral services will be held at First United Methodist Church of Richardson on Tuesday, March 12, 2013 at 2 p.m. Burial will be at the McAdams family cemetery near Huntsville, Texas. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you consider donations to the Parkland Foundation, 2777 Stemmons, Suite 1700, Dallas, Texas 75207.

Condolences may be offered at
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Published in Dallas Morning News on March 12, 2013
William Benjamin Simmons, known to family and friends as Al, passed away on May 6, 2013. Al was born April 18, 1920 in Waldo, Arkansas. His family moved to Loraine, TX in 1924, where he grew up. He met the love of his life, Evalee Ronel Thomas in Loraine in the second grade. He followed her to McMurry College (now McMurry University) in Abilene. He graduated with a Bachelor’s Degree in 1942 and joined the US Army Air Corps. On May 20, 1943 he got his pilot’s wings in the morning and married Ronel in the afternoon at Williams Field, Arizona. Al went overseas and flew Photo Reconnaissance missions with the US Army Air Corps; his P-38, equipped only with cameras, was named Evalee and a picture of his girl was emblazoned on it. Stationed in New Guinea, he flew every mission he could in order to get back home to his new bride sooner. In 16 months time, he was awarded the Air Medal, the Pacific Theatre Campaign Medal with 4 bronze service stars and the Distinguished Flying Cross. His stories of honor, valor and courage, of doing the right thing even when it was terribly hard, have left a legacy that means far more to his family than even those medals. Al and Ronel moved to Amarillo in the late 40s. For many years, he worked as a supervisor for Ivan Dement, Inc. building highways across the Panhandle, including parts of Interstate 40 and Interstate 27 through Amarillo as well as at the Harrington Regional Medical Center. Al and Ronel were married for 57 years when she passed away in 2000. He cared for her devotedly toward the end of her life when she was unable to do many things for herself, and left a wonderful example of servant love for his family to see. He remained in Amarillo until 2008 when he moved to Euless, TX. Al was preceded in death by his wife, Ronel Simmons and grandson, Patrick Simmons. He is survived by his son Chris Simmons; daughter Penelope Simmons Benardino, son-in-law Brett Benardino; grandchildren Lisa Simmons, Corbin Simmons and girlfriend Heather Waslyk, Haley McBride and husband Chace, Ben Benardino and Joe Benardino; and great-grandchild Carter Simmons. A Funeral service will be held at 4 PM Thursday, May 9, 2013 at Brown’s Memorial Chapel. The family will receive friends from 2-4 PM Thursday prior to the service. Graveside services will be held at 10 AM Saturday, May 11, 2013 at Memory Gardens in Amarillo. Donations in memory of W. B. Al Simmons may be made to Cal Farley’s Boys’ Ranch, P.O. Box 1890, Amarillo, TX 79174-0001 www.calfarley.org
Robert F. Simms, of Irving, passed away July 14, 2013. Bob was born in Mount Vernon, N.Y. on July 14, 1929 and later lived in the Bronx, N.Y. His parents were Frederick and Katherine Foy Simms. He graduated from Manhattan Prep School and Manhattan College of Engineering in 1951. Bob was a member of the Civil Engineering Honor Society Chi Epsilon. After graduating he married his sweetheart, Mary Jones, and joined the Purchasing Department of Caltex Oil Company. In 1953 he was transferred to work in Italy for two years, then Holland on their expanding refinery. When that was completed Bob and his family were transferred to the London office of Caltex Purchasing, he and his family lived in Sanderstead Surrey. In 1968 he was transferred to Caltex Purchasing main office in New York as Assistant Manager. He and his family live in Darien, Connecticut until the company moved the main office to Irving, TX and he was made manager of the Purchasing Department. In 1989 Bob retired from the company. He and his wife Mary have continued to live in Irving. Bob is survived by his daughter, Christine Donley and husband Joseph of Rye, N.Y.; son Robert and wife Linda of Cohasset, MA; son Richard of New York City; grandchildren Lauren and Katie Donley; Christopher, Jeremy and Michael Simms. Family services will be held in Connecticut. Condolences may be sent to Mary Simms at 3712 Hidalgo St. Irving, TX 75062.
February 19, 2013

**Juanita Lynn “Nita” Sims**

*Weatherford Democrat*


A memorial service was held Monday, February 18, 2013.

Mrs. Sims was born Aug. 10, 1949, in Gainesville, Texas. She was a special education teacher and loved working with the children. Nita loved spending time with her grandchildren, reading, gardening and her pets.

Mrs. Sims is survived by her daughters, Kathy Chamlee and husband, James, of Reston, VA, and Sally Snowden and husband, Jacob, of Decatur; son, Billy Sims and wife, Samantha, of Azle; mother, Virginia Hoggins, of Bridgeport; grandchildren, Zack, Thomas and Katelynn; and sisters, Ginger, Debbie and Genna.

Galbreath Pickard Funeral Chapel
Velma Mildred Higginbotham Sinclair was born on the South Plains of Texas on May 26, 1925. She attended elementary school in White Flat, Texas. She attended Matador High School until her family moved to Roosevelt. She attended Lubbock High School in 1940, 1941 and she graduated in 1942. She loved to play basketball, softball and volleyball. Her Volleyball team won district in her senior year. She attended Texas Tech for 2 years. Mildred took great pride in the jobs she took on. She work for Kresg’s in Lubbock, Texas. She worked many Christmas’s at Cooper’s Toyland in Irving. She worked several years in the Dallas County Voter’s Registration department. Her greatest passion was working as an election clerk and election judge during the 60’s, 70’s and 80’s. She made sure that only eligible voters could vote!!

Mildred loved her husband, Frank, of 66 years and her children. She found great joy in cooking (especially those brownies for her grandchildren and son), canning food and raising her children and husband. She saw that her two daughters were given an opportunity to express their talents in music and dance classes. She spent many years of attending sporting events to support her son, her grandsons and even her great grandsons. She also was always there for her granddaughter’s activities. Frank and Mildred and their children became members of the First United Methodist Church in Irving in January 1955. Mildred and Frank are long time members of the Keystone Class. Along with her children, two of her grandchildren were raised in FUMC. She endured but enjoyed long vacation drives and sleeping in tents during rain storms and 20 degree weather. Mildred took great pride in beating her husband and grandson, Brian, in Skipbo and dominos even though they (meaning Frank, David and Brian), often were accused of cheating by Mildred and others. Mildred loved to walk. She and her best friend, Helen Evans spent many days walking the trails at Lively Park. She enjoyed their trips to get their feet massaged. Mildred loved her Mom and Dad and her brothers, Willis, Vernon, Walter and Glenn and her sister, Vernell. She joins her parents, Willis, Walter, and Vernon in heaven. Mildred is survived by her husband of 66 years, her daughters, Judy Baggett and husband Terry Baggett, Barbara Bell and her husband Richard Bell and son David Sinclair. She is also survived by seven grandchildren: Brian Finney and wife Melanie, Robert Bell, Richard Bell and wife Michelle, Holly Baggett Fox and husband Jeremy, Rachel Bell Fingerooot and husband Bryan, Stephanie Baggett Wirges and husband Rob, and Blaire Finney Reagan and husband Russell; eight great-grandchildren: Jackson Sinclair Finney, Serenity Powell, Ryan Jade Wirges, Carson Wayne Finney, Madison Nicole Fox, Brooklyn Michelle Fox, Dylan Fingerooot, and Lex Wirges; two honorary God great grandchildren: Kennie Cooper, and Sarah Andrews; sister Vernell Johnson; brother Glen Higginbotham and several nieces and nephews. The Sinclair family wishes to thank each of you for your part in Mildred’s life and she loved each of you.

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Alice Louise Silva of Irving passed away October 27, 2013. She was born on May 2, 1926 in Wakefield, Massachusetts to Ralph and Mary Mauriello. Alice was formerly from Sacramento, California and resided in Irving for the last 10 years. She is preceded in death by her parents and son Ron Cook. She is survived by her husband Calvin of Irving; son and daughter-in-law John and Carolyn MacArthur of Irving; brother David Mauriello of Wakefield, Massachusetts; 2 grandsons and 2 great-grandsons. The family will hold a private memorial service at a later date.

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William Benjamin Simmons, known to family and friends as "Al", passed away on May 6, 2013. Al was born April 18, 1920 in Waldo, Arkansas. His family moved to Loraine, TX in 1924, where he grew up. He met the love of his life, Evallee Ronel Thomas in Loraine in the second grade. He followed her to McMurry College (now McMurry University) in Abilene. He graduated with a Bachelor’s Degree in 1942 and joined the US Army Air Corps. On May 20, 1943 he got his pilot’s wings in the morning and married Ronel in the afternoon at Williams Field, Arizona. Al went overseas and flew Photo Reconnaissance missions with the US Army Air Corps; his P-38, equipped only with cameras, was named “Evallee” and a picture of his “girl” was emblazoned on it. Stationed in New Guinea, he flew every mission he could in order to get back home to his new bride sooner. In 16 months’ time, he was awarded the Air Medal, the Pacific Theatre Campaign Medal with 4 bronze service stars and the Distinguished Flying Cross. His stories of honor, valor and courage, of doing the right thing even when it was terribly hard, have left a legacy that means far more to his family than even those medals. Al and Ronel moved to Amarillo in the late ‘40s. For many years, he worked as a supervisor for Ivan Dement, Inc. building highways across the Panhandle, including parts of Interstate 40 and Interstate 27 through Amarillo as well as at the Harrington Regional Medical Center. Al and Ronel were married for 57 years when she passed away in 2000. He cared for her devotedly toward the end of her life when she was unable to do many things for herself, and left a wonderful example of servant love for his family to see. He remained in Amarillo until 2008 when he moved to Euless, TX. Al was preceded in death by his wife, Ronel Simmons and grandson, Patrick Simmons. He is survived by his son Chris Simmons; daughter Penelope Simmons Benardino, son-in-law Brett Benardino; grandchildren Lisa Simmons, Corbin Simmons and girlfriend Heather Waslyk, Haley McBride and husband Chace, Ben Benardino and Joe Benardino; and great-grandchild Carter Simmons. A Funeral service will be held at 4 PM Thursday, May 9, 2013 at Brown’s Memorial Chapel. The family will receive friends from 2-4 PM Thursday prior to the service. Graveside services will be held at 10 AM Saturday, May 11, 2013 at Memory Gardens in Amarillo. Donations in memory of W. B. “Al” Simmons may be made to Cal Farley’s Boys’ Ranch, P.O. Box 1890, Amarillo, TX 79174-0001 www.calfarley.org

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Robert Simms

Simms, Robert Foy Robert F. Simms, of Irving, passed away July 14, 2013. Bob was born in Mount Vernon, N. Y. on July 14, 1929 and later lived in the Bronx, N.Y. His parents were Frederick and Katherine Foy Simms. He graduated from Manhattan Prep School and Manhattan College of Engineering in 1951. Bob was a member of the Civil Engineering Honor Society Chi Epsilon. After graduating he married his sweetheart, Mary Jones, and joined the Purchasing Department of Caltex Oil Company. In 1953 he was transferred to work in Italy for two years, then Holland on their expanding refinery. When that was completed Bob and his family were transferred to the London office of Caltex Purchasing, he and his family lived in Sanderstead Surrey. In 1968 he was transferred to Caltex Purchasing main office in New York as Assistant Manager. He and his family live in Darien, Connecticut until the company moved the main office to Irving, TX and he was made manager of the Purchasing Department. In 1989 Bob retired from the company. He and his wife Mary have continued to live in Irving. Bob is survived by his daughter, Christine Donley and husband Joseph of Rye, N.Y.; son Robert and wife Linda of Cohasset, MA; son Richard of New York City; grandchildren Lauren and Katie Donley; Christopher, Jeremy and Michael Simms. Family services will be held in Connecticut. Condolences may be sent to Mary Simms at 3712 Hidalgo St. Irving, TX 75062.

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William Christopher “Chris” Simmons went to be with his Lord and Savior on December 23, 2013. A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, January 11, 2014 at 1pm at St. Paul Methodist Church in Amarillo, TX with Reverend Perry Hunsaker officiating. Chris was born November 21, 1946 to William Benjamin “Al” Simmons and Evalee Ronel Thomas Simmons in Amarillo. He spent his youth in Amarillo, graduating from Tascosa High School. He earned a football scholarship to the University of Texas-Austin, where he played from 1965-69. Chris spent much of his post-collegiate life in Houston, Texas. He worked in the insurance field until his retirement in 2000. He was an avid sports fan. He followed his beloved Texas Longhorns after his playing days and never missed watching a game. His love for sports was always on display to everyone around him. He also enjoyed hunting, fishing, playing golf, and being amongst his family and friends. He will be dearly missed for his warm heart and jovial spirit. He is preceded in death by his parents, Al and Ronel, and son, Patrick Simmons. Survivors include his son, Corbin Simmons of Arlington, TX; daughter, Lisa Simmons of Menlo Park, CA; sister and brother-in-law, Penelope and Brett Benardino of Irving, TX; grandson, Carter Simmons of Arlington, TX; daughter-in-law, Heather Wasyluk of Arlington, TX; niece and husband, Haley and Chace McBride of Hurst, TX; nephews, Ben Benardino of Tyler, TX and Joe Benardino of Midland, TX; and great-nephew, Maddox McBride of Hurst, TX.
Rev. Arthur L Slye Jr., age 81 of Kerrville, TX passed away Saturday, February 2, 2013 in Sisterdale, TX. He was born May 13, 1931 in Little Rock, AR to Arthur L Slye Sr. and Gladys (Cummings) Slye. On January 16, 1954, he married Christine Stoecker in Robstown, TX. Arthur served in the United States Air Force during the Korean War. He went to the University of Texas at Arlington where he received his bachelor of arts degree and received his Masters from Dallas Theological Seminary. Over a period of 25 years, Rev. Slye served as senior minister for three Methodist churches. He became a district superintendent, and later, was elected the founding general superintendent of the Bethel Methodist Church, where he served for 14 years. Survivors include wife, Christine Slye of Kerrville, TX; daughter, Sharon Slye of Garland, TX; sons, Arthur L Slye, IV (Larry) and wife, Lynn of Pilot Point, TX, Eddie Slye and wife, Debbie of Hurst, TX, and Jerry Slye and wife, Cindy of Spring Branch, TX; 10 grandchildren; and 14 great grandchildren. Services will be held at the First United Methodist Church on Thursday, February 7, 10 AM, officiated by Rev. Curtis Morton. Interment will follow at Garden of Memories Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Bethel Methodist Church, 1603 E. Main St., Suite E, Fredericksburg, TX 78624. The family invites you to send condolences at www.grimesfuneralchapels.com by selecting the “Send Condolences” link. Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Grimes Funeral Chapels of Kerrville.
Martha Smiley

Smiley, Martha Kate Born May 28th, 1919 in Bogata, TX. Passed away April 26th, 2013. Preceded in death by husband, Frank P. Smiley and son Frank P. Smiley, Jr. She is survived by her son Thomas Smiley and wife Denise of Rockwall TX. Grandson, Matthew Smiley and wife Lori of Tyler, TX, Grandson, Kevin Smiley and wife Jennifer of Rockwall, TX and five great-grandchildren. She graduated from Texas Tech University in 1939. She taught school for over 40 years and retired from the Duncanville ISD. She was a beloved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother who will be greatly missed by her family. Private graveside services will be held on Monday.

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Smith, Charles J.

December 23, 1942 - August 21, 2013

Charles James Smith of Irving, Texas passed away on August 21, 2013. He was 70 years old.

Arrangements are under the direction of Aria Cremation Service & Funeral Home, 1820 N Belt Line Road, Irving, Texas 75061, 972 607.4400

www.ariacremations.com.com
George W. Smith, Jr., of Garland, Texas, died peacefully after a long battle with prostate cancer on February 26, 2013. He was born February 27, 1936 in Little Rock, Arkansas. He grew up in Little Rock, graduated from Catholic High, and attended Little Rock University. He completed his course of study and received his Standard Certificate from the American Institute of Banking in Dallas. George worked in the banking business for 5 years and served as an Assistant Texas Bank Examiner. His real love and life’s work was the furniture business where he was employed as a salesman, furnishing homes in the Dallas Metroplex for over 48 years. He retired from Haverty’s after 19 years of service. Upon his retirement from Haverty’s, George was employed by the Garland School District for 3 years. He was a friend of Bill W., loved helping people, and will be missed by his many friends. George is preceded in death by his parents George and Bennie Smith, daughter Laura, infant twins Michael and Michelle, wife Dorothy, sister Sue, and brother Sam. He is survived by his wife Nita of Garland; children George Smith of Dallas, Peter Smith and wife Kitty of Dallas, Cecelia and husband Raymond of Euless, and Eric Smith and wife Jill of DeQueen, Arkansas; grandchildren Kori of Florence, Alabama, Riley of DeQueen, Brandon and Raylynn of Euless, Texas; and former wife Penny of Fort Smith, Arkansas. A Mass of Resurrection will be held at 3 PM Friday, March 8, 2013 at Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 214 Garland Road, in Garland, Texas with Father Manuel Gutierrez as Celebrant. George’s cremains will be inurned at his father’s gravesite in Calvary Cemetery in Little Rock. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 841125, Dallas, TX 75284-1125 www.americanheart.org, or the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 560089, Dallas, TX 75356 www.cancer.org
Ima Jean Smith
(May 17, 1922 - August 11, 2013)

Ima Jean Smith, 91, passed from this life on August 11th, 2013 surrounded by her family. A long time resident of Grand Prairie, Texas. She is survived by daughters, Karen Combs & husband Bob-Arlington, Tx, Vicki Howard-Arlington, Tx, & Priscilla Massey & husband John- Winnsboro, Tx, and son-in-law, Gary Schmidt. Preceded in death by Debbie Schmidt, daughter, and Sandra Howard, granddaughter. She was blessed with 10 wonderful grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren. Ima Jean was one of 13 children, seven surviving siblings, and five who preceded her. She was born in Ovilla, Texas, on May 17, 1922 to Albert and Myrtle Reeves. Ima Jean loved crafts, working in her yard, fishing, reading and studying history, cooking for her family and mostly just being with her family. She loved her family being around her especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren. We will all miss her big, beautiful smile. Rest in Peace MawMaw, We love you.
Kevin Wayne Smith

August 14, 1953 - August 14, 2013

Kevin Wayne Smith was born on August 14, 1953, in Dallas, Texas to William O. and Reba Smith. His father precedes him in death. Kevin, age 60, entered heaven's gates on Wednesday, August 14, 2013, in Freeport, Illinois.

Kevin was a graduate of Carter High School and Dallas Baptist University. He also attended Criswell Bible College in its early years. He earned a doctorate in theology and was the pastor of several churches in Texas and Louisiana, including Cash Baptist Church, Beckley Hills Baptist Church, Evergreen Park Baptist Church, and Boeuf River Baptist Church. He also served his community with the Ouachita Parish Sheriff's Department and the Grambling Police Department. He worked for DynCorp in law enforcement in Bosnia, Kosovo and East Timor. In later years he enjoyed working as an internet radio host and musician and developed a large following of fans and friends. His interests and skills were varied and deep. He never walked away from a challenge nor considered any new project too difficult to learn. He was an avid writer of poetry, music, and articles on many subjects.

Kevin loved his family dearly and many of his happiest times were fishing with his children and attending their school events and music functions. He was a man of strong principles and he was proud that he instilled values such as honesty and family loyalty in his children. People who met Kevin instantly recognized him as a leader. He had great compassion for people, generosity of spirit and left a positive impact on the many people whose lives he touched over the years. He will be greatly missed.

Kevin is survived by his mother, Reba Mangum; sister, Sheryl Fortenbury and husband David of DeSoto, TX; children, Jennifer Berry and husband Curt of Austin, TX, Sean Smith and wife Julie of Fayetteville, AR, Clay Smith of Austin, and Derrick Smith of Thailand; the mother of his three eldest children, Donna Johnson of Austin; seven grandchildren, Will, Carson, Brenna and Sam Berry, Brighton, Berkeley and Boston Smith; nieces, Amy Standifer, and Alissa Reed; nephew, Ryan Fortenbury; among numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends. Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 21, 2013.

www.chismsmithfuneralhome.com
Leo Irving Smith

Smith, Leo Irving "Skip" age 63, of Irving, a resident of the Dallas/Fort Worth metroplex for over 40 years, died Sunday, March 24, 2013 in Irving. Born September 24, 1949 in Washington, D.C., he is the son of Martha Ingersoll Smith of New York and the late Leo Irving Smith. He had served in the U.S. Air Force and was in printing sales. He had been a member of the American Legion. Survivors include his mother of New Woodstock, NY; his daughters, Abbe Smith of Carrollton, Celia Smith of Garland, Teresa Davis and Lisa Fields of Eugene, OR; five grandchildren; a sister, Mariana Dilworth of Cortland, NY; brothers, Kevin Smith of Irving and Gregory Smith of New Woodstock, NY. The family will receive friends 4-6 p.m. Sunday, March 31 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home. The funeral will be 12 noon, Monday, April 1 in the funeral home chapel. Burial will be at 2:15 p.m., Monday at Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery.

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Leo Irving "Skip" Smith, II
(September 24, 1949 - March 24, 2013)

LEO IRVING “SKIP” SMITH, II, age 63, of Irving, a resident of the Dallas/Fort Worth
metroplex for over 40 years, died Sunday, March 24, 2013 in Irving. Born September 24,
1949 in Washington, D.C., he is the son of Martha Ingersoll Smith of New York and the late Leo
Irving Smith. He had served in the United States Air Force and was in printing sales. He had been
a member of the American Legion. Survivors include his mother of New Woodstock, New York; his
daughters, Abbe Smith of Carrollton, Texas, Celia Smith of Garland, Texas, Teresa Davis and Lisa
Fields of Eugene, Oregon; five grandchildren; a sister Mariana Dilworth of Cortland, New York;
brothers, Kevin Smith of Irving, Texas and Gregory Smith of New Woodstock, New York. The
family will receive friends 4-6 p.m. Sunday, March 31, 2013 at Donnelly’s Colonial Funeral Home,
606 West Airport Freeway in Irving, Texas. The funeral will be Noon Monday, April 1, 2013 in the
funeral home chapel. Burial will be at 2:15 p.m. Monday at Dallas/Fort Worth National Cemetery,
2000 Mountain Creek Parkway in Dallas, Texas 75211. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made
to Vitas Hospice, 8585 North Stemmons Freeway, Suite 200, South Tower, Dallas, Texas 75247.
Lilla Smith (1922 - 2013) Visit Guest Book

Lilla Smith passed away Thursday, Jan. 3, 2013. Service: 2 p.m. Saturday in Vandergriff Chapel at First United Methodist Church, 313 N. Center St., Arlington. Interment: Monday in Artesia, N.M. Viewing: 1 p.m. Saturday in Vandergriff Chapel. Memorials: May be made in her name to the Girl Scouts of America or Arlington Woman's Club. Lilla was born in Midland to Jerome and Thelma Blackwell. She was married to James "Bud" Tittle for 36 years until his death in 1976. She retired from the Zia Girl Scout Council after 24 years as the office manager. She was active in the Artesia community and worked with the Arts Council and Altrusa Club for many years. She was also an active member of First United Methodist Church of Artesia, where she participated in youth fellowship, was a lay leader and delegate to the annual convention. Perhaps her most rewarding experience as a church member was chairing a program to sponsor a Vietnamese refugee family in their move to Artesia. Her last few years were spent in Arlington near her family. Survivors: Sons, Jere Tittle and Kevin Tittle and spouses, Dian and Laurie, of Arlington; six grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

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Nancy Smith

Smith, Nancy Jean Lamson was born August 27, 1949 in Chester, PA and passed away January 4, 2013 in Irving, TX. Nancy is survived by her husband of 42 years, Larry I. Smith; her children, Shauntella and John Rider, Sean Smith, Micah Smith and Angie Smith; grandchildren, Jennifer Rider, Jessica Rider, Jordan Rider, Juliette Rider, Britni Extrel, Catlin Smith, Chrystin Smith, Haley Smith, Michael Smith and Dakota Smith. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Condolences may be offered at
www.RestlandFuneralHome.com

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Velma "Lou" Smith  
(March 2, 1924 - September 30, 2013)

VELMA “LOU” SMITH, age 89, a resident of Irving for 60 years, died Monday, September 30, 2013 at a care center in Allen, Texas. Born March 2, 1924 in St. James, Missouri, she was the daughter of Samuel A. Sullivan and Gertrude A. Holberg Sullivan. Lou was a Christian believer. She loved to dance.

Lou loved her family and supported them unconditionally. She was a caregiver to her family and to her husband’s family all of her life. She was totally committed to her daughters.

Preceded in death by her parents, her husband, James C. Smith, and three siblings, she is survived by her daughters, Donnis Newman of Plano, Jima Gardner and husband Rick of Florida and Rita Morrison of Princeton; seven grandchildren; twenty great grandchildren; and six great-great grandchildren. A graveside service will be held 3:30 p.m., Saturday, October 5 at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens, 1413 East Irving Blvd. in Irving. Memorial contributions may be made to the Diabetes Association.

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