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Obituaries



Ditmore

Grace Irene Green Ditmore of Robert Lee passed away at Robert Lee Care Center on the morning of December 31, 2021.

Grace was born in Big Lake, Reagan County, Texas, to William Thomas “Tom” and Betty Page (Brown) Green on January 26, 1931, while her father was working in the oil field there.

Grace’s family settled in Tennyson, Texas, near her mother’s family, and ran the store/gas station/post office, which also served as a local gathering place. Grace met her future husband, William Douglas “Doug” Ditmore, in Tennyson in 1939, when she was 6 and Doug was 12. Doug and Grace became sweethearts when Grace was at Bronte High School. They married at the First Baptist Church in Tennyson, Texas, on December 25, 1953.

Grace worked at Wallace Studios in San Angelo as a photo-retoucher and sometimes in her parents’ store at Tennyson. Grace and husband Doug were partners in many businesses over their long married life, including stock farming in Tennyson, running a Texaco station, a laundro-mat, and a pool hall in Bronte. They ran the pool hall to give the kids there a place for recreation.

In the mid-1960s, Grace and Doug left Bronte and moved to Robert Lee, where they

purchased the Butane Sales Co., servicing Coke County and surrounds and where they also sold fabric and sundries from their storefront. In addition, Grace ran a ceramic studio for years and was an accomplished artist and painter, mentoring and teaching many. Grace and Doug loved children and took in many over the years who needed nurture, or a temporary home. Grace was an asset to the community and will be deeply missed.

Grace was preceded in death by her husband of 53 years, Doug Ditmore; her loving parents, Tom and Betty (Brown) Green; her sister, Dorothy May Green Harrell; and her brother, William Jesse “Bill” Green.

Grace is survived by a nephew, Gary Harrell; a niece, Karen Harrell Davis; a grandniece, Tricia Harrell Young; several grandnephews and nieces; an aunt, Lora Bell (Wrinkle) Brown; cousins, Ed Hoeckendorf, Flora Flanagan, Lou Standifer, Leo Stewart, Sue Manning, Russell Brown, Kathey Young, and Don Hagerman and many cousins; also dear friends Donna Furguson and Launi Smith.

She is also survived by extended family, Fran and Chuck Rohrbach of San Angelo; Shellie Branham of San Angelo; extended grandchildren, Garrett Page and Weston Branham, both of San Angelo.

Grace has donated her body to Texas Tech University for

medical research and will be cremated. Burial will follow at a later date in Fairview Cemetery in Bronte, Texas. Her family requests that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas, Texas.

Arrangements were under direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

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December 2021

The Coke County Sheriff’s Office answered 637 calls for the month of December 2021.

Sheriff’s Information Report - 3

Civil Matter - 3
Criminal Mischief - 1
Criminal Trespass - 1
Assault Family Violence - 1
Suspicious Person - 1
Theft - 4
Burglary - 5
Driving While Intoxicated - 3
Cruelty to Animals - 2
Harassment - 1
Public Service (includes funerals, court, motorist assist, alarm calls, etc) - 310
MHMR Interactions - 1
Civil Process - 7
Prisoner Transport (includes arrest and to and from court) - 4
Warrants Served - 3
Livestock Calls - 15
Accidents - 3
Blue Forms Issued - 2
Accident Assist - 4
Traffic Stops - 338
Traffic Stops Resulting in Citations - 222
Total inmates in jail as of Monday, January 10, 2022: Males - 2



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Robert Lee City Council meetings minutes told

November 18, 2021

The Robert Lee City Council met in regular session on Thursday, November 18, 2021, at 6:30 pm at City Hall.

Those present included Mayor Jason Moran; Council Members Josh Tennison, David Lewis, Jonathan Torres, Tracy Grantham, and Daniel Jasso.

The call to order was held, a quorum determined, and the meeting declared open at 6:30 pm.

The consent agenda (October 26, 2021, minutes; September/October Ordinance Enforcement Reports; ACO Reports; Municipal Court Report; Financial Report) was discussed and Tracy Grantham made a motion to approve the consent agenda. She was seconded by David Lewis and the motion carried with a vote of 5 - 0.

The Appraisal District Board ballot for 2022-2023 was discussed. Tracy Grantham and David Lewis recused themselves from this item due to being on the ballot. The council has a total of 90 votes. A motion was made by Jonathan Torres to assign 13 votes to Cole Bosworth, Tracy Grantham, David Lewis, Tom Sawyer, Ryan Webb, and Paul Williams and 12 votes to Tom Dean for the 2022-2023 Appraisal District Board ballot. He was seconded by Josh

Tennison and the motion carried with a vote of 3 - 0.

Proposals for professional administration services (American Rescue Plan Act 2021) were discussed. A motion was made by David Lewis to table the item until the December meeting and was seconded by Jonathan Torres. The motion carried with a vote of 5 - 0.

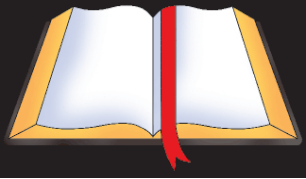
A motion was made by Tracy Grantham to approve of the City Attorney Employment Agreement renewal and was seconded by Josh Tennison. The motion carried with a vote of 5 - 0.

Allsup’s would like an ordinance closing part of E. 9th Street and abandoning part of the Block 44 alley. The reading of Ordinance 1345 - Abandoning Street & Alley (E. 9th Street & Block 44 Alley) was held. The City Attorney and Allsup’s attorney both agreed that one reading would be sufficient. A motion was made by Jonathan Torres to approve the first and final reading of Ordinance 1345. He was seconded by Daniel Jasso and the motion carried with a vote of 5 - 0.

Discussion was held regarding Republic increasing prices by 3.45% and the city increased prices for customers for the same amount. The first reading of

Area Churches
Invite You to Worship

Bronte
Bronte Church of Christ
PO Box 346
118 S. Jefferson • Bronte
Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm
Central Baptist Church
324 S. Franklin • Bronte
(325) 473-4811
Dale Patterson, Pastor
Sun. 10 am Sunday School
11 am & 5 pm Worship
First Baptist Church
424 S. Washington • Bronte
(325) 473-2331
Pastor George Cooper
Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School,
10:55 am Worship, 6 pm Bible
Study & Worship
Wednesday 6 pm RA’s & GA’s,
6:30 pm Youth & Adults
First United Methodist Church
Corner of Washington & Holmes
Bronte
(325) 473-3281
Rev. Stacy Sprinkle, Pastor
Sun. 10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship
St. James Catholic Church
215 N. Washington, Bronte
(325) 365-2687
Rev. Yesu Mulakaleti, Jr., Pastor
Sunday Bilingual Mass 8 am
4C Cowboy Church
Drawer R • Bronte • (325) 895-4080
Robert Lemmond, Pastor
Sunday, 10:30 am - Texas Theater
Wednesday Bible Study 6 pm -
4C Feedlot Youth Building
Robert Lee
Bible Baptist Church
PO Box 938 • 9th & Austin
Sunday 10 am Sunday School,
11 am and 5 pm Worship,
Wed 5 pm Bible Study
Emmanuel Pentecostal
PO Box 794 • 1004 Hillcrest
Pastor Brantly Robertson
(972) 841-2009
Sundays 10 am, Wednesdays 7 pm



First United Methodist Church
PO Box 144 •9th & Chadbourne
Robert Lee • (325) 453-2417
Cyndi Weidner, Pastor
Sun. 10 am Sunday School
11 am Worship,
5 pm Choir Practice
Iglesia Bautista Betel
101 Houston • Robert Lee
Sun. 9:45 am • Sunday School
11 am Service • Bible Study Wed. 6 pm
Robert Lee Cowboy Church
James Brunson, Pastor
(469) 834-3932
10:30 am Sunday • Robert Lee Rec Hall
Southside Church of Christ
PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston
Robert Lee (325) 453-2176
Recardo Reyes, Preacher
Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
11 am & 6 pm, Worship
Wed. 6 pm, Worship
Northside Church of Christ
PO Box 508
9th & Chadbourne • Robert Lee
(325) 453-2685, (325) 763-2118 or
(325) 473-1053
Services: Sun. 10 am
Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church
601 W. 10th, Robert Lee
(325) 365-2687
Rev. Yesu Mulakaleti, Pastor
Saturday Vigil Mass 5 pm
Robert Lee Baptist Church
PO Box 493 •22 W. 11th
(325) 453-2724
Chris Walls, Pastor
Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
11 am & 7 pm, Worship
Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting
Victory Assembly of God
(325) 453-2208, PO Box 638
202 E. 6th Street, Robert Lee
Rev. Rocky Youngblood, Pastor
Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship
Wed. 6 pm, Bible Study
Coke County
Pecan Baptist
PO Box 542 •12 miles West of
Robert Lee on Sterling City Hwy
(325) 453-2065, Bill Hood, Pastor
www.pecanbaptistchurchrl.com
Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
11 am & 7 pm, Worship