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# **Obituaries**



### Ross

Marie Ross, 80, passed away Tuesday, January 5, 2016. Visitation was all day, Thursday, January 7, 2016, at the funeral home with family present from 6 pm to 8 pm. Graveside services were held at 10 am, Friday, January 8, 2016, at Paint Creek Cemetery. Services were under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Marie was born on January 11, 1935, to Francis and Willobee Hill in San Angelo, Texas. She was very family oriented, her main focus in life was caring for her family especially her grandchildren. She will be greatly missed by all those whose lives she touched.

She was preceded in death by her husband of forty-two years, John Michael (J.M.) Ross; daughter, Debbie Conley and daughter-in-law, Roxie Ross.

Marie is survived by her son, Dennis Ross of Robert Lee; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Online condolences may be www.shaffer made pioneer.com.

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For our Bronte customers' convenience, there is a **Drop Box at Shirley's Place** 

(formerly the blouse factory)

in Bronte.



#### Cook

Geneva (Bradford) Cook peacefully passed away on Sunday December 13, 2015. In celebration of her full life, there will be a memorial service on Monday, January 18, 2015, at 2 pm at the First United Methodist Church in Winters with a graveside service immediately following at the Wingate Cemetery.

Geneva was born in Alverado, Texas, on September 17, 1926,to Charlie and Beulah Bradford. When she was just two months old, her family moved to the plains of Texas and she grew up near Floydada. Geneva met Kenneth William (K.W.) Cook, her best friend and love of her life, in Lockney, Texas, when she was 18 years old and they were

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married three weeks later. K.W. and Geneva settled and raised their family in Winters, Texas. They were married (4 days shy) of 66 years. Geneva was an active member of the First United Methodist Church in

K.W. preceded her in death on December 31, 2011. She was also preceded in death by her parents and eight siblings, Virgil, Myrtle, Mable, Delzie, Robert, Tennie, Houston, Floyd, and a very special grandson-in-law, Ben Bythewood.

Geneva, or Gran as she was known by so many, was known for her outgoing personality and zeal for life. She and Mr. Cook (Cookie) welcomed countless friends and family to their lake house and into their home in Winters. She always made sure there was enough food and fresh brewed tea.She loved being actively involved in her community and helping others. She loved to cook and sew, but not more than she loved to ski. She rightly earned bragging rights in her ability to slalom ski without getting her beautiful red hair wet all over Oak Creek Lake. Everyone enjoyed visiting and staying with Gran. While she wasn't in her sewing room, kitchen or at the lake, you could find her at an Eastern Star meeting or event as she was an outstanding member and officer. She blessed numerous women and men in that busy and fun season of her life.

Geneva is survived by two sisters, Jean Logan and husband Bob, and Marcellita. She is also survived by her two sons, Richard Cook and wife Barbara and Larry Cook and wife Debbie. In addition, Geneva is survived by grandchildren Amy Bythewood, Kaci Follis and husband Lynn, Molly Powell and husband Kris, Morgan Cook, Nicole Smith and husband Robbie, Josh Cook, and Ryan Cook. She is also

survived by great-grandchildren Benjiman Bythewood, Bryanna Flournoy and husband Chris, Kacelyn Follis, Kolson Follis, and Karter Follis. She is also survived by her great-great grandson, Braden Flournoy as well as numerous, very special nieces and nephews that she considered her own.

A very special thank you to the staff at Bronte Health and Rehab Center. Your support, love and care for Gran was matchless and you all were such a blessing to her.

## **East Coke County** Ambulance Report

During the last quarter of 2015, East Coke County Ambulance Service in Bronte, made 41 ambulance calls with approximately 246 volunteer man hours.

These included two calls to Blackwell, ten to Robert Lee, and twenty-nine in Bronte.

## **CCRTA** meeting discussed

The Coke County Retired Teachers Assn. members will meet on Monday, January 18, at the First Baptist Church in Bronte for their regular pot luck lunch and meeting. All school personnel in area are invited to meet and enjoy some really good food.

This is the month for active members to compile volunteer hours they contribute toward the quality of life in their communities. Also, the purchase of books for elementary schools

will be discussed. There is a February due date on these

The members will be made aware of issues at the state level

Members are urged to attend meetings as a show of support for TRTA. Put Monday, January 18, at the First Baptist Church in Bronte on the calendar.

## Free Online Program Helps Farmers and Ranchers with **Conservation Efforts**

As winter weather continues to hit large areas of Texas, the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) wants to remind farmers, ranchers and others about the ease and convenience of using the agency's online Conservation Client Gateway to work with NRCS personnel and local field offices.

"The Conservation Client Gateway web based tool came about because the Natural Resources Conservation Service saw an opportunity using web based technology to be able to expand its client base and not only that, but to facilitate opportunities for our clients and non NRCS clients to have easier access to NRCS services and programs," says Salvador Salinas, Texas NRCS state conservationist.

For farmers and ranchers who do not live close to their local NRCS office, the Conservation

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## Area Churches Invite You to Worship

Bronte Church of Christ Bible Baptist Church PO Box 938 • 9th & Austin PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson • Bronte (325) 473-3291 Robert Lee, Ed Zimmermann, Pastor Preacher John V. Driggers Sun. 10 am Sunday School,

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 & 6 pm Worship Wed. 6 pm

Coke County Cowboy Church Texas Theater, Dowtown Bronte Preacher - Robert Lemonds Sunday, 10:30 am

First Baptist Church 424 S. Washington • Bronte Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School, 10:55 am Worship,

Wednesday 7 pm Prayer Meeting First United Methodist Church Corner of Washington & Holmes Bronte (325) 473-3281

Rev. Everette Bovce, Pastor Sun. 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship

117 W. Main, Bronte Russ Frasier, Pastor Sun. 10 am Tuesday 6 pm Table Time **St. James Catholic Church** 215 N. Washington, Bronte (325) 365-2687 Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor Sun. 5 pm

**Coke County** Pecan Baptist PO Box 542 •12 miles West of

Robert Lee on Sterling City Hwy (325) 453-2065, Bill Hood, Minister www.pecanbaptist.org Sun. 10 am, Sunday School 11 am & 7 pm, Worship

PO Box 683 •1019 Colorado City Hwy Pastor Tim Wood (325) 453-2360 Sundays 2 pm, Thursdays 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 Southside Church of Cȟrist PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston Robert Lee (325) 453-2176 Jordan Arnold, Preacher

11 am & 6 pm Worship,

**Emmanuel Pentecostal** 

11 am & 6 pm, Worship Wed. 6 pm, Worship Northside Church of Christ PO Box 508 9th & Chadbourne • Robert Lee (325) 453-2685, (806) 543-2118 or (325) 473-1053 Sun 10 Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church

Sun. 10 am, Sunday School

601 W. 10th, Robert Lee (325) 365-2687 Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor Sat. 6 pm

**Robert Lee Baptist Church** PO Box 493 •22 W. 11th (325) 453-2724 Danny White, Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School

11 am & 7 pm, Worship 7 pm, Prayer Meeting Victory Assembly of God (325) 453-2208, PO Box 638 6th & Houston, Robert Lee Rev. Irving Smith, Pastor Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School

10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship Wed. 6 pm, Bible Study

**Tennyson** Tennyson Baptist Church Hwy 277 • Tennyson (325) 473-2040 Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School 11:00 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting