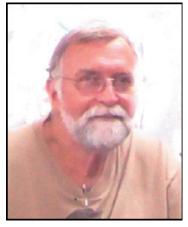
## Obituaries



Wilson

Allen Lee Wilson, passed suddenly Sunday evening, November 4, 2012. Allen loved Robert Lee, Texas.

He has enjoyed coming to Robert Lee to hunt and fish for years. He eventually retired from Odessa, Texas, to the area he loved so much. After moving to Robert Lee in early 2011, Allen became involved in Vision with a Purpose; a group near to his heart on a mission to raise up and restore Robert Lee.

He is survived by his wife Nancy Wilson of Robert Lee. A memorial service honoring his life will be held at 2 pm Monday, November 12, 2012, at Sunset Memorial Chapel, 6801 Business 20, in Odessa. Local arrangements are under the direction of Funeral Shaff e r Home/Robert Lee.

Allen would have loved for any memorials to be given to VP (Vision with a Purpose) at PO Box 203, Robert Lee, Texas 76945.

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# Death Notices

#### Smith

James "Royce" Smith Sr., age 81, went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, October 31, 2012. Royce was born on November 13, 1930, in Bronte, Texas.

Royce was preceded in death by his father, Robbie Willis; his mother, Lois Mae and a grandson, Christopher Gleghorn.

Lee Cemetery. Services were under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

#### Account opened for **Burwick Family**

An account has been set up at First National Bank in Bronte for the Burwick Family in honor of Darin Burwick.

#### **Robert Lee ISD Veterans Day Program** slated for November 12

The annual Veterans Day Program sponsored by the Robert Lee Independent School District will be held on Monday, November 12th at 9:30 am in the school cafetorium. The program will include patriotic speeches, entertainment by the elementary choir and a touching slide show presentation. A reception is planned immediately following the program.

All Coke County veterans are urged to attend and be recognized for the unselfish contribution to our nation's security. Please notify the RLISD office at 453-4555 so that they can be properly recognized during this year's program.

### In Memory of Frank Tubb

By Ava Lou Davis My brother, Frank Tubb. was a radio operator on one of the most famous Mitchell B-25 bombers. The plane "Bold Venture" B-25 was part of the renowned 500th Bomber Squadron, of the 345th Bomb Group of the US Fifth Air Force. The men of the 345th Bomb group were the best low-level strafing and bombing group of any conflict.

On March 15, 1945, they were sent on a mission that included the coast line in the South China Sea. The leader of the group spotted a 2000 ton Japanese freighter off the

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run on the ship. They dropped a 500 pound bomb into the side of the ship, which exploded at the water line. The pilot, Lt. Reheis, did not know tht Lt. Jensen had followed him into the target. Shrapnel from the explosion riddled Bold Venture's bomb bay and right engine, which Jensen immediately tried to feather. Beyond the ship was a 75 foot ridge line running off a steep mountainside, and the Bold Venuter didn't have enough power to clear it on one engine. The crash, 16 miles northwest of Hong Kong, killed all five crewmen. Lost in the crash were: 2nd Lt. Robert W. Jensen, pilot; 2nd Lt. Orville Garrison, co-pilot; Sgt. Henry M. Worley, Jr., engineer; Sgt. Robert H. Waggy, Armorer; and my brother, Cpl. Frank M. Tubb, radio operator. Their exploits and heroism have never been forgotten.

I will always remember my brother, how he loved to dress, and be a part of activities at SAC. He taught me how to dance and to appreciate the music of Glenn Miller, Tommy Dorsey, Frank Sinatra and all the other big band music.

He is now laid to rest with two of his fellow crewmen in the Ft. Smith National Cemetery in Ft. Smith,

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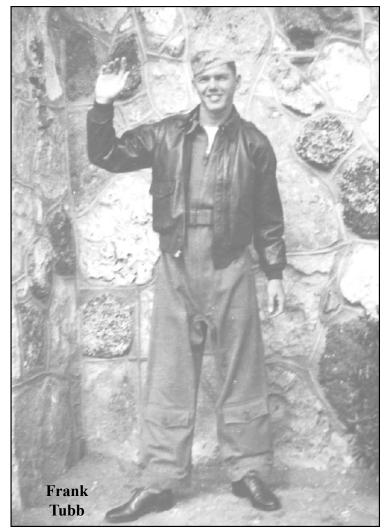
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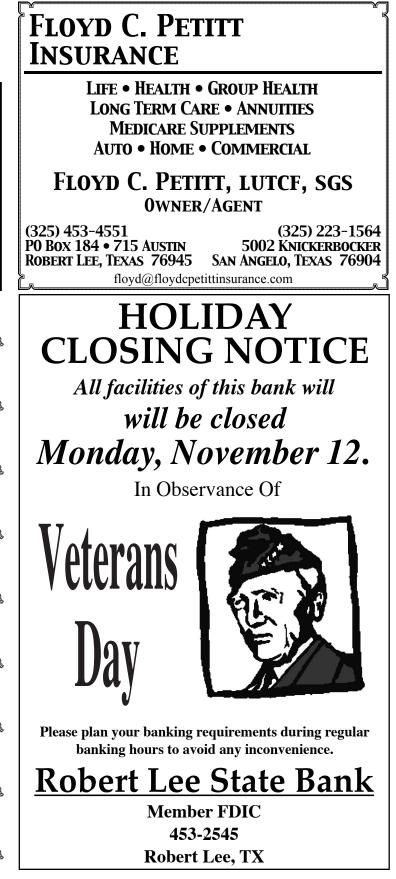
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Arkansas. He will be in memory forever.

I obtained the information on this crash from the other pilot, Charles "Bud" Gilmore, and another radio operator and friend, Quentin Stambaught. Also contributing were Chris Davis, project historian, and Toby Brown, American archeologist and historian

A memorial service was held in 2011 at the crash site.



He is survived by his wife, Lynn Doris; a brother, Willis Wayne; three sons and their wives, James and Barbara; Edwin and Charmaine; Noal and Kristi and one daughter and her husband, Debra and Shane Gleghorn; grandsons, Courtney Smith, Ryan Gleghorn and Michael Smith; granddaughters, Sherry Boone, Jennifer Smith, Mackenzie Smith and one step-granddaughter, Chelsea Russell and two great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Friday, November 2, 2012, at Shaffer Funeral Home in Robert Lee with the family present from 6 pm to 7 pm. Graveside Services were held at 2 pm Saturday, November 3, 2012, at Robert

7:00 pm Hosted by Robert Lee **Baptist Church** 

*Community* 

**Thanksgiving Service** 

Everyone is Welcome!

Sunday, November 18

22 W. Eleventh Street - Robert Lee

Fellowship to Follow

Please bring finger foods for the fellowship to follow in the RLBC Fellowship Hall!

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*For more information contact Robert Lee Baptist Church* at 453-2724.