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Obituaries



Mauldin

On Saturday, December 7, 2019, Melba Estelle Rives Mauldin, beloved mother, passed away at age 85 at home in Robert Lee, Texas, after a courageous 22 month battle with pancreatic cancer.

Melba Estelle Rives was born November 8, 1934, to Joel Patrick Rives and Gertie Waldrop Rives in Robert Lee, Texas. She attended Robert Lee ISD, graduating in 1952. On June 12, 1952, she married Donald "Moe" Mauldin and was happily married for 67 years before his passing earlier this year. Melba received an Associate of Arts degree from San Angelo College in 1965, her Bachelor of Science in education degree from Angelo State College in 1968, and her Masters of Education in Counseling from Angelo State University in 1980. She loved children and loved teaching. She was an elementary teacher for San Angelo ISD before returning to Robert Lee, Texas, in 1969, where she began teaching junior high English for several years before returning to elementary. She finished her career as counselor for Robert Lee ISD retiring in 1997.

She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; and two brothers, James Edward "Doc" Rives, and Ray Eugene "Gene" Rives.

She leaves to mourn her: children, Donald G. Mauldin and wife Leslie of Portland, Oregon, Jana Smith and husband Randy of Robert Lee, Texas; grandchildren, Dane Smith and wife Kim of Robert Lee, Texas, Rob Smith of San Angelo, Texas, Kristi Stalvey and husband Russell of Greenwood, Texas, Kimberly

Ellis and husband Kyle of Brownwood, Texas, Laura Smith of Midland, Texas; great-grandchildren, Kayla McFarden, Abbigayle Smith, Hadlee Stalvey, Ammleigh Smith, Kenna Ellis, Major Smith, Kelton Ellis, Whitlee Stalvey, Cane Smith, Kate Ellis, and Gehrig Smith; numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews; and four step-grandchildren.

Visitation was at Shaffer Funeral Home in Robert Lee, Texas, on Tuesday afternoon, December 10, 2019, from 5 pm to 7 pm. Graveside services were at Robert Lee Cemetery on Wednesday morning, December 11, 2019, at 10:30 am, officiated by William "Pistol" Hood. Services were under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home/Robert Lee.

The Family wishes to thank the staff of San Angelo Hospice for their loving care for the month prior to her passing.

Online condolences can be made at www.shafferpioneer.com.
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Commissioner's Court meeting held

The Coke County Commissioners Court met in regular session on November 26, 2019, in the courthouse in Robert Lee. Those in attendance included County Judge Hal Spain, Commissioner Precinct 1 Donald Robertson, Commissioner Precinct 2 Paul Williams, Commissioner Precinct 3 Marshall Millican, Commissioner Precinct 4 Joe Sefcik, and County/District Clerk Monica Reyes.

The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag and prayer was offered by Commissioner Williams.

Judge Spain announced the presence of a quorum.

Commissioner Williams moved to approve the minutes as amended for the November 12, 2019, meeting. The motion, seconded by Commissioner Sefcik, carried.

No action was taken on the burn ban.

Mr. Gary Enos with the Texas Department of Transportation spoke with the Commissioners Court about the possibility of being eligible for state funding to repair/replace two county owned bridges. Commissioner Williams made a motion to move forward with the replacement of the bridges, with the county funding 10%. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Millican and carried.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to upgrade and/or purchase new computers for the county and purchasing these as an unforeseen expense. The motion, seconded by Commissioner Robertson, carried.

Commissioner Sefcik made a motion to approve the county road agreement with BNB Tennyson Solar and was seconded by Commissioner

Robertson. Commissioner Williams opposed and Judge Spain was in favor. The motion carried.

Commissioner Millican made a motion to approve the bid of purchase of property held in trust by Coke County - legal description - Block 23, Lot 20 and 21 OTRL, R000012164. Commissioner Sefcik seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Commissioner Robertson made a motion to approve the purchase of property held in trust by Coke County Farm to Market - legal description - Block 23, Lot 20 and 21 OTRL, R000012164. The motion, seconded by Commissioner Sefcik, carried.

The Court discussed the rental of the Robert Lee Show Barn by Robert Lee Cowboy Church.

Commissioner Williams moved to pay bills and was seconded by Commissioner Sefcik. The motion carried.

Judge Spain adjourned the meeting at 9:57 am.



November 2019

The following reports were made by the Coke County Sheriff's Office for the month of November 2019.

Sheriff's Report - 3
 Theft - 1

Civil Matter - 3
 Burglary of a Building - 2
 Recovery of Stolen Travel Trailer - 1
 Disorderly Conduct - 1
 Driving While Intoxicated - 1
 Illegal Dumping - 1
 Domestic Disturbances - 3
 Dog Attack on Another Animal - 1

Warrant Arrest (Local Warrant) - 1
 Warrant Arrest (Out of County Warrant) - 1
 Public Service (includes funerals, court, motorist assist, alarm calls, etc) - 360
 Civil Process - 3
 Prisoner Transport (including arrest and to and from court) - 6

Area Churches

Invite You to Worship

Bronte

Bronte Church of Christ

PO Box 346
 118 S. Jefferson • Bronte
 Preacher David Lewis
 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

Forgiven Ministries

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. Yesu Mulakaleti, Jr., Pastor
 Sunday Bilingual Mass 8 am

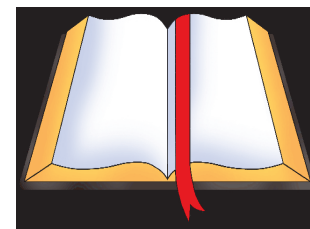
4C Cowboy Church

Texas Theater, Downtown Bronte
 Interim Pastor Robert Lemmond
 Sunday, 10:30 am

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



Robert Lee

Bible Baptist Church

PO Box 938 • 9th & Austin
 Robert Lee
 Sunday 10 am Sunday School, 11 am and
 5 pm Worship, Wed 5 pm Bible Study

Emmanuel Pentecostal

PO Box 683 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy
 Pastor Kevin Millstid 453-2360
 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

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, (806) 543-2118 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
 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



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Deadline for Christmas Greetings is Friday, December 13, at 12 noon!