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Obituaries



Stewart

May Belle Whittington Stewart, 93, passed away on Saturday, November 26, 2011. Visitation was held all day Monday, November 28, 2011, at the funeral home with the family present from 6 pm to 7 pm. Funeral service was held at 10 am Tuesday, November 29, 2011, at Robert Lee Baptist Church with Danny White officiating. Burial followed in Robert Lee Cemetery. The pallbearers were her grandsons and great-grandsons. Services were under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

May Belle was born in Port Arthur, Texas, on July 7, 1918. She graduated from Port Arthur High School. She met John T. Stewart and married on April 24, 1937. They were married one month short of 55 years before his passing. The union had four children.

May Belle was active in the Robert Lee Baptist Church. She served as Sunday school teacher and sang in the choir. She also served as treasurer for the 64 Study Club.

May Belle spent her life totally and unconditionally devoted to her husband and their children. She was admired for her pure and simple lifestyle. She was a strong mother, asking little, but giving a lot.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John T. Stewart; parents, Lawrence and Elodie Butaud Whittington; brother, Clyde Joseph Whittington; sisters, Joyce Gehrta, Estelle Nepevux.

May Belle is survived by her daughter, Kay and husband Reid Biggs; sons, John

Stewart Jr., Lawrence and wife Brenda Stewart; daughter, Vicki and husband Eric Brothers. She is also survived by twelve grandchildren; sixteen great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces.

In lieu of flowers, friends who desire are respectfully invited to honor May Belle's memory with contributions in her name to Robert Lee Baptist Church in Robert Lee, Texas.

God Bless you Mother, as you enjoy eternal life and perfect peace.

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Vega

Gena K. Vega, age 44 of Rowlett, Texas, passed away November 18, 2011.

She was born May 23, 1967, in San Angelo, Texas, to Ed and Linda (Bates) Martindale. Gena was a faithful member of First United Methodist Church and taught music in the Garland ISD for 17 years. She enjoyed working with children and was an exceptional music teacher. Gena was a devoted homemaker and loved spending time with her family. She enjoyed her cats and antiques.

Gena is survived by her husband, Ivan Vega, and daughter, Marri Lynn, both of Rowlett, Texas; father and stepmother, Ed and Pat

Martindale of Bronte, Texas; sister, Lorie White and husband Bryan of Arlington, Texas; brother, Blake Wootten and wife Sheila of Seward, Alaska; and aunt, Kay Bates and husband Dale of San Angelo, Texas. She was preceded in death by her mother.

Funeral services were held at 10 am Tuesday, November 22, 2011, at Rest Haven Funeral Home - Rowlett Chapel with Aaron Cloud officiating. The family received friends prior to the service.

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Earwood

Helen LaVerne Holmes Earwood, 82, went home to be with her Heavenly Father and beloved husband on Monday, November 21, 2011, at her residence. A graveside service was held on Friday, November 25, 2011, in Paint Creek Cemetery in Coke County. Services were under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Helen was born on July 18, 1929, to Boyd Holmes and Jettie Sumrall Holmes in Pecos County near Sheffield, Texas. She married Elwin Clement Earwood in Del Rio, Texas, on July 18, 1946. To this union were born two daughters, Shirlyn Johnson of Port Arthur, Texas, and Clement Ann Aguirre of Bronte, Texas. Helen "Nanny" dedicated herself to family. She was loved and respected by her family and many others whose lives she had touched.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Elwin Clement Earwood; two brothers, John and Giles Holmes; and one sister, Winno-Jean Herring.

She is survived by her daughters; four great-grandsons, Cisco Moreno, Dustin Moreno, Jacob Moreno, and Jerry Lee Wofford of the home; seven grandchildren, Toni Williams, Joan Thomas, Joseph Xavi, Joshua Aguirre, Tasha Aguirre, Dwayne Johnson, and Dawn Johnson. She was also survived by nine great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Maxine Stroud and Jettie Winston, both of San Angelo, Texas.

"Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies, and everyone who lives and believes in Me

will never die. Do you believe this?'" John 11:25-26

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Death Notices

Caston

Lowell Thomas Caston passed away on Monday, October 31, 2011, at Pecos County Memorial Hospital in Fort Stockton. A Memorial Service was held at 2pm Thursday, November 3, 2011, at First United Methodist Church in Fort Stockton with J.C. Caston officiating. Heritage Funeral Home of the Big Bend of Fort Stockton has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Lowell was born on Thursday, December 29, 1932, in Artesia, New Mexico, to parents Joseph C. and Bessie L. (Johnson) Caston. Lowell was preceded in death by his parents Joe and Bessie, his brothers Henry, Clemence and Carlton,

and his sisters Mary Jo and Betty Lou.

Survivors include his wife Johnnie L. Caston of Fort Stockton, Texas; son Rodney D. Caston of Jacksonville, Florida; stepsons Harold Snyder of Fort Stockton, Texas and John Snyder of Odessa, Texas; daughter Tammy K. (Caston) Holcomb of Fort Worth, Texas; brother J.C. Caston of Odessa, Texas; sister Evelyn June Copple of Oregon; three grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Memorials for West Coke County EMS

Jim Chadwick

Mary & Ben Bessent

Sheriff reminds citizens of 24 hour phone number

Sheriff Wayne McCutchen wishes to remind all Coke County citizens that the Sheriff's Department phone is answered 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The number to call is (325) 453-2717.

Come as you are . . .



Sunday Mornings • 10 am
Bible Study • Tuesday 7 pm
Romans • Pot Luck Dinner at 6 pm



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Downtown Bronte • Across from Grocery Store
Russ Frasier, Preacher

Area Churches

Invite You to Worship

Bronte

Bronte Church of Christ
PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson • Bronte
(325) 473-3291

Preacher John V. Driggers
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

First Baptist Church
424 S. Washington • Bronte
(325) 473-2331

Bro. Corey Cornutt, Pastor
Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School,
10:55 am Worship,
5 pm Worship

6 pm Youth
Wednesday 7 pm Prayer Meeting

First United Methodist Church
Corner of Washington & Holmes
Bronte

(325) 473-3281
Rev. Matt Pennington, Pastor
Sun. 9:30 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship

Forgiven Ministries

117 W. Main, Bronte
Russ Frasier, Pastor
Sun. 10 am

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) 453-2482

www.pecanbaptist.org
Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
11 am & 7 pm, Worship

Robert Lee

Emmanuel Pentecostal
PO Box 683 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy
Robert Lee

(325) 453-2360
Rev. Ray Aldridge, Pastor
Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

First United Methodist Church
PO Box 144 • 9th & Chadbourne
Robert Lee • (325) 453-2417

Steve Peyton, Pastor
Sun. 10 am Sunday School
11 am Worship
5:00 pm Choir Practice

Iglesia Bautista Bethel

101 Houston • Robert Lee
Sun. 10 am • Worship
11 am & 6 pm • Service
Wed. 7 pm

Southside Church of Christ

PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston
Robert Lee
(325) 453-2176

Jordan Arnold, 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) 655-9784 or 453-2685

Services: Sun. 10 am & 1:30 pm;
Wed. 6 pm

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church

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
Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting

Victory Assembly of God

PO Box 638
6th & Houston, Robert Lee
(325) 453-2208

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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