

life as a rancher. Ken had a huge personality and was verbal in his beliefs. He encouraged everyone to achieve their highest potential and will be greatly missed.

Ken is survived by his beloved wife, Linda; son, Mickey Scott and wife Kay; daughter, Becky and husband Wendell Byrom; stepsons, Brad and Barrett Hinesly; stepdaughter, Allison and husband Brian Creech; eight grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Ken was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, James, Joe Lee, Danny; and sister Dorthey Pruitt.

Visitation was held from on Tuesday, December 1, from 1 pm to 3 pm at Shaffer Funeral Home, located at 509 South State St. in Bronte, Texas. Graveside services were held at 11 am on Wednesday, December 2, at Fairview Cemetery on Franklin Street in Bronte, Texas. Services were under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home/Bronte.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Ken's name to: the March of Dimes, who helped to fund the vaccine to eliminate polio or the American Cancer Society

To see Ken's full Obituary, please visit shafferpioneer.com.

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Death Notices

Fincher

Kenneth Carl Fincher went home to his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Saturday, November 28, 2020.

Kenneth was preceded in death by his parents, Orb Leslie and Artie Mae (West) Fincher; and three brothers and one sister in law, Clinton, W. G. (Dub and his wife Eva) and Wayne Fincher.

He is survived by his wife, Susan; sons, William Ross (fiancée Jessica and her daughter Makenzie) of Water Valley, Riley West (wife Rebecca); and two grandsons, Gavin West and Easton Wayne Fincher of Hondo. He is also

survived by two sisters, Glenda Willis (Greer) of Water Valley, and Merle Kelso (Larry) of Bronte; and Wayne's wife Sheri Fincher of Belton; several nieces and nephews, and a host of friends that he loved like family.

Visitation was Tuesday, December 1, from 6 pm to 8 pm at Johnson's Funeral Home in San Angelo. Services were Wednesday, December 2, at 2 pm at Harris Avenue Baptist Church in San Angelo. Burial followed the service at the Water Valley Cemetery.

Friends of the RLCC meeting held

The Friends of the Robert Lee Care Center November meeting was held on Monday, November 23, with four members present.

Minutes of the October meeting and Treasurer's report as of October 31, 2020, were read and approved.

Della Alexander reported that the work on the gazebo has been held up again due to COVID 19. The contractor has stated that this will be his next project to be completed. A report was given that proceeds from the brown bag fund raiser held on November 11 exceeded \$1,000. Treasurer Becky Ross reported that there are still four members who have not paid dues this year. A brief discussion was held regarding ideas for a Spring fundraiser but the decision was made to postpone any decisions until the January 2021 meeting. Those in attendance approved giving a \$50 donation to the Methodist Church for the use of the FLC for the fundraiser. A motion was presented and approved to have a Christmas

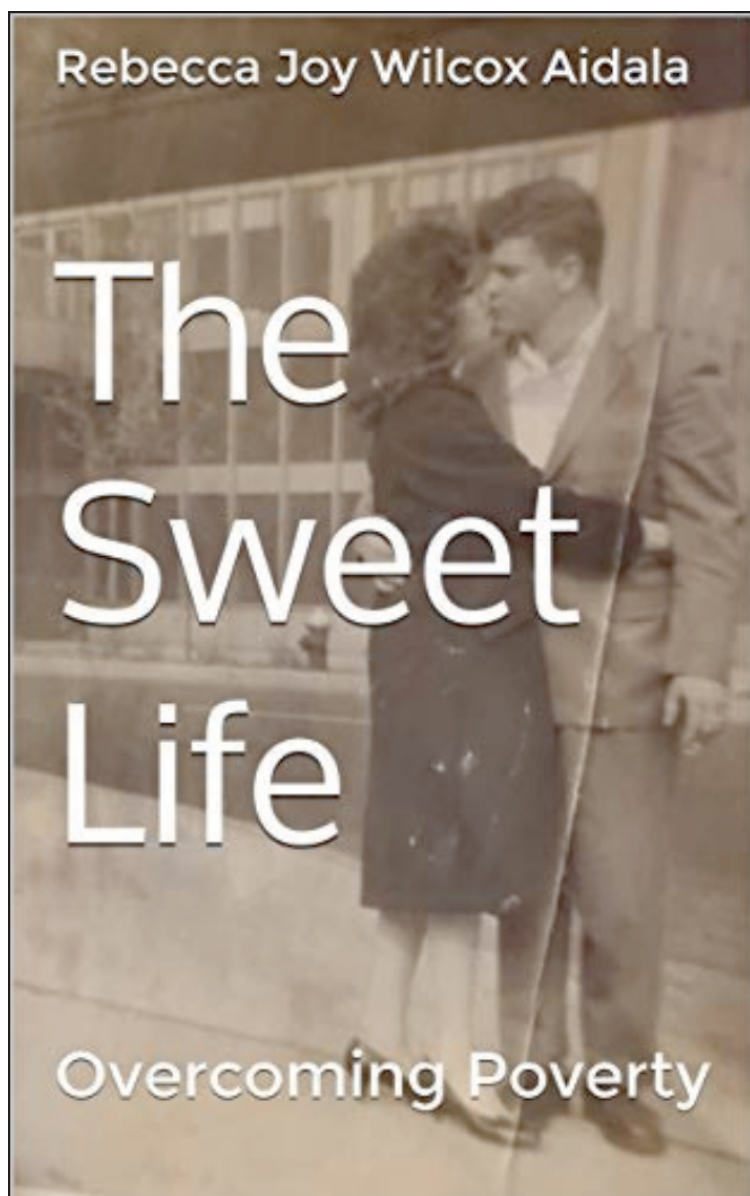
Bronte Graduate Publishes Second Book! *Rebecca Joy Wilcox Aidala, a 1987 graduate of Bronte High School, has published her second book, entitled 'The Sweet Life, Overcoming Poverty'. Her first book was a longitudinal research project proving Charlotte Mason philosophy as the preferred method in theater pedagogy when teaching Shakespeare.*

Like her first book, Rebecca spent months researching, except this time her focus was family history and old archives. 'The Sweet Life' is a tribute piece for Rebecca's mother, Alice Joyce Sweet Wilcox. Alice Joyce Sweet grew up in the slums of Elmira, New York, in the 1940s and 1950s, along with her brother, disabled mother, and an alcoholic father, who was in and out of their lives almost as often and he was in and out of jail. Rebecca delves into the long line of alcoholism and exactly how her mother and uncle overcome this way of life. Much of the Sweet family legacy is documented with articles upon articles in the Elmira Star Gazette and Elmira Herald. However, the press is not all negative. Rebecca's uncle

becomes a local celebrity, finding his way into the New York Sports Hall of Fame, and Rebecca herself is featured, as well as the poster child for Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis, a rarity for a toddler. If you are looking for inspiration this holiday season, 'The Sweet Life' is available on Kindle and Amazon paperback.

Not only is Rebecca an alumnus of Bronte, Texas, she is a summa cum laude graduate of Angelo State University. She then obtained her Master of Arts degree with merit from the Shakespeare Institute in Stratford-upon-Avon. Rebecca is a Master Teacher in the Charlotte Mason Method from Ambleside Schools. Currently, Rebecca teaches high school humanities and theatre arts at Ambleside School in San Angelo and is an adjunct instructor in English and Theatre Arts for Angelo State University on Ambleside's campus. She is also working on her next book.

card in *The Observer/Enterprise* again this year.



There will be no meeting in meeting will be held on Monday, December 2020. The next January 25, 2021.

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