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Obituaries



Gibbs

Jerry Gibbs, 82, of Robert Lee, Texas died at home on November 29, 2017.

Jerry was born March 17, 1935, to G.G. and Lillie Grace Gibbs in Snowmac, Oklahoma, the youngest of eight children. Stricken with polio at the age of eight, Jerry actively participated in school sports where he was able, even becoming a Golden Gloves boxer in high school and college. He graduated from Andrews High School and pursued his graduate and Master's degrees at North Texas State University in Denton, Texas, where he met Mary Elizabeth (Liz) Phillips. They were married December 30, 1955, and began a life together sharing a love of horses, children, wildlife and education.

Jerry began his teaching career at Corpus Christi, and then taught at Huckabee, Buffalo Gap, Garden City, Coahoma and Robert Lee. While Jerry and Liz made new homes and new friends in several communities, they chose to raise their sons, Mitchell and Kyle, in Robert Lee where Jerry devoted himself as an educator, helping hundreds of children learn, dream, and aspire.

Jerry served as high school principal and then superintendent of schools for 20 years at Robert Lee ISD before retiring in 1992. Following his retirement, Jerry developed an interest in photography, and traveled frequently to Yellowstone National Park and to Alaska to enjoy and photograph elk, bear, and landscapes. He never lost the spirit of an outdoorsman and hunter, but found many beautiful expressions of that

passion in his photography.

In 2001, Jerry lost his wife and partner, Liz, to her battle with cancer. He was fortunate a few years later to find a new friend, companion and wife in Yvonne Devoll and in recent years, a special caregiver in his son, Kyle. Both of whom remained by his side throughout his illness.

Jerry is survived by two sons, Mitchell Gibbs of Round Rock, Kyle Gibbs of Robert Lee, Skylar Caddell of Round Rock and a loving niece, Marsha Turpin of Bloomfield, New Mexico.

Visitation was held on Friday, December 1, 2017, at the funeral home with family present from 5 pm until 7 pm to receive visitors. Funeral services were held on Saturday, December 2, 2017, at the First Baptist Church in Robert Lee at 2 pm with longtime peer and friend William Hood officiating. Co-officiants were Ronnie Ruff and Clyde Dukes. Interment immediately followed at Robert Lee Cemetery. Pallbearers included JP Skipworth, Korey Pitcock, Bill

Burns, Aaron Hood, Matt Reid, and Lynn Gully. Honorary pallbearers included Jack Woodley, George White, and Kenneth Chandler.

For their support during these final days, Mitchell and Kyle share a special gratitude to Hospice of San Angelo for serving as a source of strength and guidance.

The family especially appreciates the outpouring of love expressed to Jerry over many years, in which he found great comfort.

Online condolences may be made at www.shafferpioneer.com.

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Graves

Beatrice Louise Graves was born February 9, 1929, to Louis and Liza Jane (Cockburn) Baker at home in Orient, Texas. She was the middle of five children. She attended school at Tennyson until Tennyson School consolidated with Bronte School. She married her husband, O. B. (Sonny) Graves, on February 17, 1945. Louise and Sonny were blessed with three sons. They lived in San

Angelo until the family built their home on the Baker family place in Tennyson, Texas, in 1968-1969. She retired from Ethicon in 1993. Louise was a member of Tennyson Baptist Church where she served as secretary/treasurer for many years.

Louise loved to sew western shirts for her sons, grandsons, and great-grandsons. She enjoyed cooking, sewing, doing various crafts, and being outdoors. She liked watching Tiger Woods play golf and was a diehard Dallas Cowboys football fan. However, the joy of her life was her family, her church, and her faith. She entered heaven suddenly on December 1, 2017, the day after watching her final Cowboys' victory.

Louise is preceded in death by her parents, her brothers Louis Jr. and Wallace, her sister Harriet, her husband Sonny Graves, her oldest son James (Jimmy) Onis Graves, grandson James Daniel Graves, and niece Margie Newcomb.

Louise is survived by sons Roger Graves, Jerry Graves and wife Susan Graves, grandchildren Scott Graves and wife Haley, Larry Graves, Jake Graves and wife Mandy, Dalton Graves and wife Chandra, Kendra and Scott Howell, twelve great-grandchildren, and her brother, Richard Baker.

Visitation was at Shaffer Funeral Home in Bronte on December 5 from 6 pm until 7

pm. The funeral service was officiated by pastor, David Dunn, at Tennyson Baptist Church on December 6 at 10 am. Pallbearers were her grandsons and great-grandsons. Burial followed at Mule Creek Cemetery in Tennyson, where she was buried between her husband and son.

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...Project Fair and Livestock Show

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Age divisions for the contests are as follows:

Kids Korner - Pre-school through 2nd Grade;

Junior - 3rd grade through 5th grade;

Intermediate - 6th grade through 8th grade;

Senior - 9th through 12th grade;

Adults - 19 years old and up.

Entries will be taken at the Rec Hall in Robert Lee on Wednesday, January 17 between 12 pm and 6:30 pm. They will continue to be taken on Thursday, January 18 beginning at 8 am. All entries must be received by noon on January 18. Judging will take place Thursday and Friday before the Stock Show. Entry forms will be available at the Rec Hall in Robert Lee. If you would like to drop them off early, please make arrangements with the Extension Office.

For more information, contact Kandice Everitt or Morgan Runyan at the Extension Office at (325) 453-2461.

Area Churches

Invite You to Worship

Bronte

Bronte Church of Christ
PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson • Bronte
(325) 473-3291
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
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. Everette Boyce, Pastor
Sun. 10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship

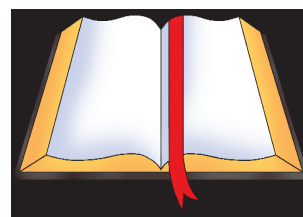
Forgiven Ministries
117 W. Main, Bronte
Russ Frasier, Pastor
Sun. 10 am
Tuesday 6 pm Table Time

St. James Catholic Church
215 N. Washington, Bronte
(325) 365-2687
Rev. Yesu Mulakaleti, Jr., Pastor
Sunday Mass 8 am

4C Cowboy Church
Texas Theater, Downtown Bronte
Pastor James Brunson
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.pecanbaptist.org
Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
11 am & 7 pm, Worship



Robert Lee

Bible Baptist Church
PO Box 938 • 9th & Austin
Robert Lee, John Fiore, Pastor
Sun. 10 am Sunday School,
11 am Worship.

Emmanuel Pentecostal
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 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
Danny White, 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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