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Obituaries



Blair

Thomas Franklin "Tommy" Blair passed from this life March 20, 2013, at his home in Robert Lee, Texas. Tommy was born May 27, 1946, to Ralph and Ruby Lee Blair at the home of his grandparents, Thomas and Amanda Harmon, on Paint Creek in Robert Lee, Texas.

Tommy, a lifelong resident of the West Texas area, spent most of his life in Robert Lee. He was well known for his diligence, starting on the oil rigs with his dad as a young man. Tommy then moved to Silver, Texas, to begin working for Ernest Clendennen Inc., which he did for many years. This is where he learned the trade of welding, which became his passion. He continued to weld for the rest of his life.

On December 19, 1975, he met the love of his life, Jo

Nell Ross. They were married seven months later on July 3, 1976. Tommy and Jo Nell were blessed with two children, Amanda and Beau, daughter-in-law, Natalie, and two grandsons, Hunter and Max. Tommy loved riding his Harley, camping, hunting, fishing, cooking outdoors, and most of all, his family.

Tommy was preceded in death by his parents Ralph and Ruby Lee Blair; fatherin-law, Joe Ross; sisters, Carolyn Nichols and Glenda Hammond; brother, Steven Blair; brother-in-law, Terry Ross; special uncle and aunt, Alfred and Ethel Harmon;

and nephews Daniel Ross and Patrick Blair.

Survivors include, his wife of almost 37 years, Jo Nell Blair, of Robert Lee; daughter, Amanda Blair, of Robert Lee; son and daughter-in-law, Beau and Natalie Blair, of Lubbock; grandsons, Hunter and Max Blair, of Lubbock; mother-in-law, Nellie Ross, of Robert Lee; sister-in-law, Linda Gayle Shandley and husband Lane, of Pipe Creek; brother-in-law, Ricky Ross and wife Becky, of Robert Lee; nephews, Russ Lomas, Kelly Nichols, Lance, Joseph, and Landon Shandley, Joshua and Lucas Blair, and Mason Ross; and nieces, Kim Hodge, Rikki Mathis, Brook Wilkins, and Meagan Ross.

Visitation was held all day Friday, March 22, at Shaffer Funeral Home, with the family present from 6 to 8 pm. Graveside service was at 2 pm Saturday, March 23, at the Robert Lee Cemetery. Services were under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home in Robert Lee.

The family requests donations be made to KCRN Radio 93.9 FM or St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

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THE WOMEN OF THE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF BRONTE INVITE YOU TO THE Spring Fling! ANNUAL BAKE SALE

AND PLANT SALE ONE DAY ONLY!!

APRIL 5, 3 PM - 5 PM 114 South Washington

GERANIUMS, BEGONIAS PETUNIAS, LANTANA, MARIGOLDS, VINCAS, TOMATO & PEPPER PLANTS!

CASSEROLES & DESSERTS ALSO AVAILABLE!

... TSCRA Award

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Even though the Prices reduced their herd to protect the land, they still found lessons in flexibility during the adversities. Frank's experience with wildfire has allowed him to become a leading voice in Texas on inter-agency cooperation in fighting wildfires.

The TSSRM / TSCRA Outstanding Rangeland Stewardship Award was created to honor ranchers and landowners who are expending remarkable efforts to improve and manage range and pasture lands and the resources, livestock and wildlife the lands support.

The Frank and Sims Price Ranch will now compete for the regional stewardship award sponsored by the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA), Dow AgriSciences and USDA's NRCS.

trade association and is the largest and oldest livestock organization based in Texas. TSCRA has more than 16,000 beef cattle

operations, ranching families and businesses as members. These members represent approximately 50,000 individuals directly involved in ranching and beef production who manage 4 million head of cattle on 76 million acres of range and pasture land primarily in Texas and Oklahoma, but throughout the Southwest.

Texans encouraged to apply for awards

Keep Texas Beautiful (KTB) is now accepting applications for the 2013 Keep Texas Beautiful Youth and Educator Awards. The award program honors extraordinary students, educators and volunteers working to improve and beautify their communities. Awards are given in a number of categories to elementary through college-level youth, as well as educators and youth organizers.

The Ruthe Jackson Youth TSCRA is a 136 year-old Leadership Awards recognize the outstanding efforts made by youth whose accomplishments are bringing about cleaner,

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What is "Satan's Game Plan"?



Sunday Mornings • 10 am Bible Study • Tuesday 7 pm



Pot Luck Dinner at 6 pm Recovery Meetings • Friday 7 pm

FORGIVEN MINISTRIES

Downtown Bronte • Across from Grocery Store Russ Frasier, Preacher

Area Churches Invite You to Worship

<u>Bronte</u> Bronte Church of Christ PO Box 346 • 118 S. Jefferson • Bronte 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 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 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) 453-2065, Bill Hood, Minister

www.pecanbaptist.org Sun. 10 am, Sunday School 11 am & 7 pm, Worship **United Christians Fellowship** Wildcat Marina • West of Robert Lee (325) 453-2468 Ed Zimmerman, Leader Sunday 10 am, Worship

Robert Lee **Emmanuel Pentecostal** PO Box 683 •1019 Colorado City Hwy Robert Lee • (325) 453-2360 Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 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

5:00 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) 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. 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 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

Celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ Easter Sunday • March 31, 2013

Sunrise Services • 7:30 am

Tennyson Baptist Church (No Sunrise Service on Mt. Margaret.)

Free Breakfast at the church following the services! No Sunday Worship Service at 10 am.

ennyson **Baptist** Church

Located on Highway 277 10 miles south of Bronte or 18 miles north of San Angelo

(325) 473-2040