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Robertson

Jesse Ray Robertson, Sr., 87, passed away on Sunday, July 8, 2012, at his residence. He was surrounded by family and friends. Visitation was Wednesday, July 11, at Shaffer Pioneer on Sherwood Way in San Angelo, with the family present from 6 pm to 8 pm. A celebration of his life was held at 10:30 am Thursday, July 12, 2012, at the Robert Lee Baptist Church. Burial followed in Robert Lee Cemetery. Services were under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Jesse was born on May 14, 1925, in Friendship Community on the north shores of present day Lake Spence to James Brantly Robertson and Arizona Cain Robertson. He enlisted in the United States Army on November 9, 1943 at Ft. Sill, Oklahoma. He served in the European Theater where he received numerous awards including two Purple Hearts and a Bronze Star. He was honorably discharged at Camp Shaffe, Arkansas. He returned to Odessa and began working in the oilfield. He married Betty Joe Thornton on September 10, 1948, in Odessa.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Thornton Robertson of the home; his children, Debra and J.B. Grayson of Giddings, and Jesse Ray, Jr. and Beverly of Rockport; one brother, Donald and Ruth Robertson of Robert Lee; three sisters, Bonita and

Kenneth Hester of San Angelo, Elaine Bennett of Arlington, and Billie and Winfred Talley of Cleburne; grandchildren, Lauri and Randy Herndon of San Angelo, Kristy and Patrick Brody of San Angelo, James and Julia Chadwick of Rockport, Jody Salinas of Rockport, and Jesse Robertson III of Minnesota; ten great-grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Mary Robertson of Midland, LaRue Robertson of Lindsey, Oklahoma, Mary Lou Hodge of Carbon, and Lee Ona Gordon of Burkburnett; and numerous nieces and nephews.

After surviving World War II, he returned to the Permian Basin and began working in the oilfields. He started working for Cities Service Oil Co. in December, 1948. He remained with the company for almost forty two years as they became CITGO and were purchased by Occidental Petroleum (OXY). He worked in fields near Odessa, Big Lake, Corpus Christi, Raymondville, Kingsville, and Rockport. While in Corpus, he spent a great deal of time offshore supervising the drilling of some of the first Gulf of Mexico deep sea wells. Jesse was recognized for his service to the petro-

leum industry and given a Petroleum Pioneer Award for being one of the original men working in the Texas oilfields. After retiring in 1989, he ranched for fourteen years in Coke County before moving to San Angelo.

Pallbearers were Don Woods, Steve Gordon, Rusty Herndon, James Chadwick, Doyle Robertson, and Douglas Robertson.

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Death Notices

Fleming

Belva Jean Fleming, 68, passed away Monday, July 9, 2012. Funeral service was held at 3 pm Thursday, July 12, at First Baptist Church of Bronte. Burial followed in Fairview Cemetery. Services were under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

She is survived by her son Brian Fleming and his wife Leah of Hobbs, New Mexico; two grandchildren, Scott and Audrey; a grandson, Logan Fleming of Lubbock; three sisters, Nancy Jones of San Angelo, Roberta Hawkins of Bronte, and Frances Heathcoat of Robert Lee; one brother, Jerry Jones of Amarillo; and four nieces, two nephews, and one great-niece.

Obituaries



Garza

Alberto Pruneda Garza, 71, passed away on Wednesday, July 4, 2012. Visitation was all day Friday, July 6, 2012, at Iglesia Bautista Betel, located at 101 Houston, Robert Lee, with a prayer service at 7 pm. Funeral service was held at 3 pm Saturday, July 7, 2012, at the church. Burial followed in Robert Lee Hispanic Cemetery. Services were under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Alberto was born to Enrique and Concepcion Pruneda Garza in El Charco Matamoros Tamaulipas, Mexico, on August 7, 1940. He married Julia Lara on July 3, 1970, in Robert Lee, Texas. Alberto worked in cement construction for most of his life. He enjoyed gardening and raising animals, such as pigs, lambs, goats, dogs, and birds.

He is preceded in death by both his parents; brothers, Eusebio Garza, Feliz Garza; sister, Blanca Salazar; and granddaughter, Tamara Doss.

Alberto is survived by his wife, Julia Garza of Robert Lee; his children, Christine and Manuel Abalos of Robert Lee, Elsa Doss of Magnolia, Texas, Sara and Reys Cruz of San Angelo, Caesar and Stacy De La Peña of San Jose, California, Maria Elisa Garza Guajardo of Brownsville, Texas; his siblings, Esmerejildo Garza and wife Helo of San Benito, Texas, Rosa Garza of San Juan, Texas, Theresa Dominguez and husband Sergio of Acuna, Mexico, Amalia Luna of San Angelo, Texas, Gloria and husband Thomas Palacios of San Angelo, Texas, Querino and Maria Garza of Fort Worth, Erasmo Garza and wife Natalia of San Angelo; grandchildren, Cynthia and J.P. Skipworth, Angela Abalos, Charles and Christi Abalos, Brian and Brittny Abalos, Reys Josue Cruz, Julia Cruz, Albert De La Peña Christina De La Peña, Austin De La Peña, Uriel Alberto Caranza Garza, Oscar Adrian Caranza Garza, Alejandra Viviana Garza Guajardo, and Jesus Alan Garza Guajardo; great grandchildren, Kandace, Jonathan, Casey, Gabriel, Dalton, Mason, Cainan, Lane, Aanz Leigh, Anthony, and Zavian; very special friend Elias Robles; and many more friends and loved ones.

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Vacation Bible School
July 16-20
10 am to 12 noon
 Ages 4-12
 First United Methodist Church
 Robert Lee, Texas
First United Methodist Church of Robert Lee
 presents the
"Operation Overboard"
Dare to go deep with God.
 Deep Sea Voyages into
 Bible story fun, crafts, water
 science & great Music!
 For more information, call
 (325) 453-2417.

"Do you know that you are loved?"
 - Jesus
Sunday Mornings • 10 am
Bible Study • Tuesday 7 pm
Romans • Pot Luck Dinner at 6 pm

FORGIVEN MINISTRIES
 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. Everette Boyce, 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
 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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