Garwood Fair Parade Float Winners

Here are more of the float winners in the parade opening the 28th annual Garwood Lions Fair held last Saturday. At the top is the 2nd place float entered by the St. Mary's School Civics Class of Nada. On the float left to right are, Peggy Popp, Janice Prihoda, Linda Labay and Sharron Schneider. The center photo shows the antique car used by the Garwood Veterans' float which was awarded an honorable mention.

28th Garwood Lions Fair Was One of Finest

The Garwood Lions Club staged another very successful Community Fair and Carnival last Saturday on a perfect autumn day.

From the opening parade to the presentation of prizes the event was well attended with hundreds at each of the day's activities.

A long parade opened the 28th annual Community Fair under the direction of Judge Lester J. Cranek and his committee at 10 a.m. and the parade included nine floats, four bands from the Rice district, a host of commercial entries and National Guard units, marching units and others. County Sheriff and Mrs. George (Doc) Mueller, on horseback and carrying the United States and Texas flags, headed the parade. Music was provided along the parade route by the Rice High School Raider band and junior high bands from Garwood, Eagle Lake and Sheridan.

National guard units were on hand from El Campo and Columbus; Dan Supak and family had a number of antique autos in the parade; and the Garwood Fire Dept. proudly displayed all of its units, including a new truck and new ambulance which were put into use during the past year.

Novelty entries included a small auto giving the Aggies a boost with "Aggies Back In 1975" and another bicycle entry was by two future firemen.

LIONS HAVE BEST FLOAT

The Garwood Lions Club's beautiful red, white and blue float in keeping with the Bicentennial theme and entitled, "Spirit of '76" and featuring the fife and drum men Russell Labay, Todd Krenek and Ryan Beane, won the first place ribbon. Second place went to the Civics Class of St. Mary's School in Nada for another beautiful patriotic float, "Birthday Greetings to the U. S. A." with Linda Labay, Sharron Schneider, Peggy Popp and Janice Prihoda on the float. Third place ribbon went to the Veterans' Memorial Library's antique automobile with future leaders in the rumble seat. The Rice Raider Boosters Club received an honorable mention for a beautiful float in keeping with the school colors of blue and silver and on the float were Rice athletes and Rice cheerleaders. A large football centered the float with cheerleaders performing under miniature goalposts.

Other floats in the parade included an entry by MAYC of Eagle Lake featuring Miss MAYC for 1975 and her court Sandra Vera, Debra Sosa and Janie Gonzales; Eagle Lake Lions Clubs; the Colorado County Federal Savings and Loan Assn. float featuring Miss Monica Hoffman; a patriotic entry featuring a rocket and astronaut Vic Mueller and Tammy Walker and Regina Brisco portraying frontier-women; and another featuring the talent show of the Fair with pianist Sue Engstrom and singers Bill Carpenter, Bobby Hunt, Anthony Kallina and Walter Brades, Jr., entertaining with songs along the route.

Commercial exhibitors in the parade were Brasher Motor Co., Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, El Campo Marine Supply, Garwood Implement and Supply, Anderson Manufacturing, Eagle Lake Implement Co., and Farmers Co-op of Garwood and Eagle Tractor, Inc. of Eagle Lake.

Other marching units were by the Marilyn Thomas' Super Strutters, Troop 312, Boy Scouts, the Eagle Lake 4-H Club, and Lyndia's Dance School twirlers.

Only floats from the Garwood community and Rice High School were considered in the judging of the float winners.

Booths for the entertainment of all ages and food and drinks of all kinds were opened following the parade. Great interest was shown in the commercial exhibits parked on the school grounds; and in the educational and domestic exhibits in the Garwood school.

Results of the competition in the exhibits may be found in another article in this issue.

TALENT SHOW

A new feature of the Fair this year was a talent show on the school football field with many old and young people performing, "just for the fun of it." Leading off the entertainers were the quartet of singers, Bobby Hunt, Bill Carpenter, Walter Brades, Jr., and Anthony Kallina accompanied by Mrs. Herbert Engstrom. Following Alton Sm ith and daughter entertained with piano and guitar selections followed by a host of young people from Lyndia's School of Dancing who performed and judging will be held at 3 p.m. Auction of the Chili will be held at 4. A street dance will close out Saturday's activities.

Food booths will reopen at 9 a.m. Sunday and activities will continue throughout the day.

A feature of the Chilislipiel III will be the "world's largest biergarten.

South Central Texas Health Improvement Foundation of Flatonia will benefit from the events of the three-day celebration.

Local Groups in Flatonia Czhilispiel Sat.

Eagle Lake will be well represented in Flatonia's Czhilispiel III which will be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday of this week in that city.

Two teams from this community will be competing for the honor of being named the champion chili cookers in the competition to be held Saturday evening.

The Straight A-Plus team will be comprised of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Henske, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Moss, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Broesche, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Zahradnik and Bill Matcheski. This will be the second year for this team to compete in the event. The other local team will prepare a special chili using caribou meat, brought back recently by Dr. R. R. Thomas on his trip to Canada, and will include Kurt Thomas, Gayle Gertson, Charlotte Perry, Fred, Larry, Billy and Angie Broesche and Mike and Bobbie Zahradnik. They are billed as the Longnecks.

The Czhilispiel III will be observed as a celebration of the Czechoslovakian heritage of the Czhilispiel. Activities will reopen at 9 a.m. Saturday and the Czhili cookers will light their fires at 11 a.m.

Last Rites For EL Native, Ben McElhinney, Jr.

Benjamin H. McElhinney, Jr., of Lincoln, Virginia, died Friday, Oct. 10 at Loudoun Memorial Hospital in Leesburg, Virginia.

Mr. McElhinney was born in Eagle Lake in 1913, the son of Benjamin H. McElhinney, Sr. and Mary Baker Gordon McElhinney. He graduated from the University of Texas in 1935 and moved to Washington, D.C. where he was employed by the Department of Agriculture. He served in the U.S. House of Representatives since 1969 and moved to Alexandria, Virginia, where he formed his own real estate brokerage firm.

After moving to Loudoun County in 1955, Mr. McElhinney served as principal of the Round Hill Elementary School and later as social studies teacher at Loudoun Valley High School, from which position he retired in 1974. In recent years he has traveled extensively, worked with McElhinney Properties, and served as a volunteer at Loudoun Memorial Hospital.

Mr. McElhinney is survived, in addition to his wife, by one son, Paul Warner McElhinney of Sanford, Maine; two daughters, Mary Elliott McElhinney Krash and Susan Tinsley McElhinney, both of Arlington, Va.; one granddaughter, Kristina Nicole McElhinney; and a sister, Mrs. G. D. Heading of Eagle Lake.

Memorial services were held at 2 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 13th at The Church of Our Saviour at Oatlands, Va.

The family suggests that expressions of sympathy be in the form of contributions to the Memorial Fund of The Church of Our Saviour, in care of Miss Anita Graf, Rt. 1, Box 363, Hamilton, Va. 22068.

The Senate's impeachment trial of Judge O.P. Carrillo has been postponed again — until November 18.

New Subscribers

Added to the Eagle Lake Headlight's subscription list in the past week were Miss Linda Perry, city; James D. McAlister, Columbus; and John R. Torres, city.

Friendship Club Makes Dressings

On Oct. 15th the Friendship Club met in the home of Mrs. Esther Sunderman with Mrs. Sophia Elkins as cohostess.

Mrs. Sunderman opened the meeting with the club's prayer.

The ladies had an enjoyable afternoon making surgical dressings and visiting. Mrs. Sunderman and Mrs. Elkins served delicious party plates of refreshments to their guests.

Texas Hospital Association has received approval of the Texas Insurance Commissioner.

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Marla Birkner of El Campo Wins Garwood Beauty Pageant

Event Staged as "More Than Just A Beauty Show"

The 1975 Garwood Lions Club Fairest of the Fair contest last Saturday evening concluded the Garwood Community Fair and Carnival in grand fashion with an outstanding production that was "More Than Just a Beauty Pageant, More than Just a Show."

The event was planned and staged by Mrs. Dee Mackey and was presented in the Garwood school gymnasium using a scenic background, spot lights, entertainment and all the features of a top-notch beauty pageant.

After the colors were presented by Boy Scouts, the group joined in singing the Star Spangled Banner while Alan Kristynik played the tune on his cornet.

Mrs. Mackey set the theme for the show as she sang "More Than a Pageant" accompanied by Mrs. Herbert Engstrom at the piano. Twenty-thirty beautiful young ladies attired in long-party dresses appeared before the large audience gathered for the occasion.

Bill Carpenter, who was also chairman of the Lions Fairest of the Fair committee, served as master of ceremonies and presented each of the contestants and their school backgrounds. He pointed out that the entries are judged not only on beauty but also on poise and intelligence and charm as demonstrated in personal interviews with the panel of four judges.

After the young ladies had been introduced, each was interviewed by Mr. Carpenter and given an opportunity to answer a question relative to their school or home life.

While judges were tabulating their ballots, entertainment was provided by a sextet of dancers from the Lyndia Engstrom School of Dancing and by Gregory Korenek who thoroughly entertained the group with some outstanding accordian selections. Mr. Carpenter added to the entertainment with a solo after he pointed out that the girls are not only fine representatives of their parents, but also of the communities they represent.

TEN FINALISTS

The judges selected ten semi-finalists, including Beth Raley, sponsored by Jerry's Service Sta.; Crystal Jones, Lyndia's Dance School; Julia Thomas, Eagle Lake Rotary; Laurel Anderson, Eagle Lake Noon Lions; Janice Kallina, Priesmeyer's Dept. Store; Marla Birkner, El Campo Lions Club; Sandy Baumgart, Columbus Legion; Polly Windham, Columbus Noon Lions; Sharon Priesmeyer, Wharton and Colorado Co. Farmers Union; and D'Ann Davison, Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce.

From these very pretty young ladies were selected the Miss Fairest of the Fair, Miss Marla Birkner of El Campo; the first runner-up, Miss Janice Kallina of Garwood; and the second runner-up, Miss Sandy Baumgart of Columbus. Miss Birkner was crowned Fairest of the Fair by the 1974 winner, Miss Brenda Kallina of Garwood, who incidentally is the sister of the first runner-up Janice.

Miss Birkner, a pretty blonde, is a senior in El Campo high school and a member of the popular Derby Dolls, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Birkner of El Campo. Miss Kallina is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Kallina of Garwood; and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Baumgart of Columbus are parents of Sandy.

W. R. (Butch) Martin, the president of the Garwood Lions Club, presented gifts to each of the contestants and to the three winners. Miss Birkner also received a bouquet of red roses.

A gift was also presented to Mrs. Mackey for the fine work which she did in planning for the event.

Judging the competition were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Tucker of Victoria and Mr. and Mrs. Stan Kuester of Yoakum.

Other entries were: Jackie Kallina, sponsored by Corner Cafe; Shirley Keil, sponsored by the Marmola Homes; Jo Ann Schneider, Columbus Fire Dept.; Jeanie Koenig, ARC Rice association, Garwood Implement & Supply Co.; Nina Zbranek, Garwood Fire Dept.; Suzanne Hogan, Modern Fuels; Becky Gertson, Raider Boosters; Theresa Becak, Garwood Laundry; Janice Bittner, F&W Food Store; Madeline Korenek, Garwood Irrigation; Sheryl Smith, Crop Service, Inc.;

Also, Tammy Novak, Columbus Rotary; Cheryl Crabb, Eagle Lake Evening Lions; Dorothy Jean Junica, Columbus C. of C.; Jeanie Gold, Woodys Drive In Grocery; Penny Tate Rice FFA; Jeanie Spam, Columbus VFW; Diane Ilse, Columbus Evening Lions.

El Campo PCA To Meet Sat.

More than 400 farmers and ranchers from a seven-county area gather Saturday, Oct. 25 for El Campo Production Credit Association's annual meeting in the high school auditorium.

Kermit Simank, PCA president, said registration begins at 10 a.m. A business session and meal follow.

High on the meeting's featured list is election of two directors by the stockholders. Nominees from Colorado County are incumbent Frank Higgins of Eagle Lake and Rudy Polak of East Bernard. Wharton County nominees are E. G. Goff, incumbent of Louise, and Harlan Nelson of El Campo.

Guest speaker for the meeting is Michael R. Morrow, Lincoln National Life Insurance Company representative, who has won the reputation of being "America's Happiest Speaker."

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Other Garwood Float Winners

Miss Marla Birkner of El Campo, center, was named the Fairest of the Fair at Garwood last Saturday night. Shown above left to right are Miss Birkner, center; and at the left Miss Janice Kallina of Garwood, first runner-up; and at the right, Miss Sandy Baumgart of Columbus, second runner-up.

Birthday Wine Ribbons in Garwood Fair With Art, Domestic Exhibits

The Domestic Exhibits at the 1975 Garwood Lions Club Fair held last Saturday were another overwhelming success and were given impetus this year by many, many entries by young people in the Garwood area and in the Rice district.

Judges commented on the excellent quality of the entries in the division which included exhibits of handwork and sewing, fine arts and crafts, baked products, canned products, garden products and flowers, including arrangements, corsages, planters, pot plants and specimens. Of special interest were the displays of arts and crafts from the art department of Rice High School and also projects of children from St. Mary's School and other schools in Eagle Lake and Garwood.

The Garwood Veterans Memorial Library received a blue ribbon for an outstanding educational exhibit.

Other winners in the various divisions of the exhibits included:

YOUTH DIVISION

Peggy Popp, 1 blue and 1 red; Sharron Schneider, 1 blue and 1 red; Andrew Labay, 2 white; Jerome Hermis, 1 blue and 1 red; Cary Labay, 1 blue and 1 white; Linda Labay, 3 blue; Janice Prihoda, 1 red; Cindy Staff, 1 red and 1 white; Allen Shimek, 1 blue; Nova Lee Mann, 2 blue; Michael Barta, 1 blue and 1 red; Kenneth Hyek, 1 red; Bryan Popp, 1 blue and 1 red; Barbara Prihoda, 2 blue; John Schneider, 1 red and 1 white; Rose Till, 1 white; Janice Waligura, 1 blue and 1 red; Charles Hajovsky, 2 red; Brian Korenek, 2 red; Chris Gold, 2 red; Thomas Kallina, 1 blue and 1 red; Jennifer Barta, 1 blue; Douglas Baumgarten, 1 red; Brian Bubela, 1 blue; Stephen Drlik, 1 blue; Susan Gold, 2 blue and 1 red; Elma Hernandez, Janice Hyek, Linda Korenek, Johanna Kubena, Greta Popp, Janet Zbranek, Jeffery Dugie, Martin Korenek, Bonnie Korenek, Edwin Labay, Monica Pieprzyca, Richard Waligura and Thomas Waligura, all received 1 blue ribbon;

Michele Genz, 6 blue and 1 red; Missy Huvar, 2 blue and 2 red; Ava Kallina, 4 blue and 1 red; Jan Zbranek, 4 blue; Allan Zbranek, 3 blue and 1 red; Clark Popp, 1 blue and 1 white; Frank Hitner, 1 blue and 2 red; Laurie Bubela, 1 blue; Calvin Peterek, 1 blue and 2 white; Frank Hitner, 1 blue; Susan Drlik, 1 blue; Paul Korenek, 1 red and 1 white; Robert Labay, 1 blue and 1 white; Anthony Drlik, 1 blue and 1 red; Karen Schneider, 1 blue; Mary Leopold, 1 blue; David Staff, 1 blue; Pat Labay, 1 blue and 1 red; Chris Hajovsky, 1 red; Denice Hyek, 2 blue; David Shimek, 1 blue and 1 white; Carmen Schneider, 1 blue; John Lee Korenek, Jr., Sandra Korenek, Daryl Pieprzyca, Christine Schneider, Shawn Schoellmann, Chris Staff, Carl Wied, Audrey Williams, all received 2 blue ribbons; the first grade group received 2 blue ribbons; Rachel Becerra, Mark Casarez, Donna Drlik, Lisa Drlik, Lupe Hernandez and Brian Hyek, all received 1 blue ribbon;

Kevin Genz, 2 blue; Philip Huvar, 2 blue and 2 red; Michaelanne Hefner, 3 blue; Sharla Popp, 2 blue; Carol Korenek, Duane Korenek, Laura Kuba, Anthony Labay, Shari Popp, Sharon Shimek, Pam Cranek and Mary Ann Miller, all received 1 blue ribbon each.

ADULT DIVISION

Mrs. W. A. Manis, 5 blue and 2 red; Mrs. E. L. Wied, 6 blue, 7 red and 1 white; Mrs. Otto T. Dankleis, 2 red; Mrs. Louis Miller, 14 blue, 8 red and 2 white; Mrs. Walter Braden, 4 blue and 1 red; Mrs. Lester Cranek, 6 blue and 4 red; Mrs. Ted Schoellmann, 5 blue, 1 red, 1 white; Mrs. Curtis Fling, 1 red and 1 white; Mrs. Sandra Huvar, 2 blue and 1 red; Emil Wied, 2 blue, 1 red and 1 white; Mrs. Eloff, 1 white; Mary Ceryanka, 1 blue and 1 red; Emil Waligura, 6 blue and 1 white; Melvin Tipton, 1 red; Mrs. Irene Bittner, 1 blue.

HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION

Bob Morgan, 2 blue and 2 red; Kirk Schneider, 1 white; Jan Fling, 1 blue, 1 red, 1 white; Debra Cooper, 1 blue, 4 red, 1 white; Carol Botard; 2 red; Carmen Stallman, 2 blue, 1 red; Gwen Payne, 1 blue, 1 white; Jo Ann Shimek, 3 blue, 3 red, 3 white; Ann Duncan, 1 white; Denise Wiese, 2 blue; Charles Supak, 2 blue; Patsy Kurkendall, 1 blue, 1 red; Mary Lou Coronado, 1 red; Connie Crowe, 2 blue, 1 red; Mary Ann Seifert, 2 blue, 1 red; Denise Rucka, 1 red; Vicki Clayton, 1 blue, 1 red; David Braden, 1 red, 1 white; Linda Sommer, 1 white; Judy Ashby, 3 blue, 1 white; Victoria Rodriguez, 1 blue, 1 white; Dennis Wilkerson, 1 white; James Young, 1 white; Thomas Glover, 1 red; Brenda Korenek, 1 white; Diane Sosa, 1 red; Kathy Frenzel, 1 red, 1 white; Julia Thomas, 1 white; Dale Walker, 6 blue, 3 red; Mark Hoover, 1 red; Kathy Sanders, 3 blue, 1 red; Christine Greak, 2 blue, 4 red; Donna Riley, 2 blue; Mercy Alvarado, 2 blue, 1 red, 1 white; Carolyn Bowen, 3 blue, 1 red, 1 white; Barbara Till, 1 blue; Chris Klekar, 1 white; Sheryl Hill, 1 white; Jesse Munoz, 2 blue;

Also, Debbie Fehr, 2 red, 1 white; Danny Henderson, 2 blue; Tony Black, 1 blue; Mark Schoellmann, 1 blue; Lawrence Labay, 1 blue; Renee Schneider, 1 blue, 1 red; Ruth Salinas, 1 red; David Sanches, 1 blue; Annie Johnson, 1 blue; Sylvia Perez, 1 blue; Rosetta Haynes, 1 white; Ellana Johnson, 2 red; Allan Labay, 1 blue; Roy Parker, 1 blue; Wayne Briscoe, 1 blue, 2 red; Daniel Braden, 1 white; Herman Powell, 1 red; Linda K. Morton, 3 blue, 4 red, 1 white; Mike Argo, 1 blue, 1 red; Nancy Pieprzyca, 1 blue; Jeanie Gold, 1 blue; Teresa Gold, 1 red; Bruno Shimek, 1 blue; Gwen Payne, 1 red.

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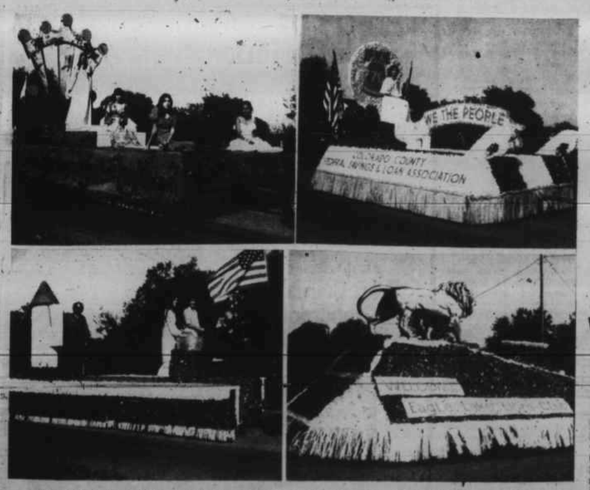

Adding to the beauty and interest in the Garwood Lions Fair parade were these entries. Top left is the MAYC float with MAYC sweetheart Sylvia Barela and members of her court in front, L to r., Sandra Vera, Debra Sosa and Janie Gonzales; top right is the Colorado County Federal Savings and Loan Association float featuring Monica Hoffman; lower left, the Sheridan Lions Club entered this float with Vic Mueler as the astronaut and pioneerswomen were Tammy Walker and Regina Brisco; and lower right is the Eagle Lake Lions Clubs' float paying tribute to the Lions for their various activities.

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Wesley Wick Judge At La. State Fair

Wesley Wick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Wick, spent Monday and Tuesday of this week in Shreveport, La. attending the State Fair there. He was chosen, along with six other agriculture students at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, to be on a judging team.

The ag students were accompanied by their instructor, Dr. Kenneth Nance.

100 Attend UDC Dinner-Meet

Approximately 100 delegates registered for the 78th Annual Convention of the Texas Division, United Daughters of the Confederacy, held in Lake Jackson October 7-9. The chapters of Division V were hostesses.

Miss Marie A. Cone, president of the Texas Division, U.D.C., presided.

A business session was conducted by Miss Cone on Wednesday and reports were made by the various officers.

The chapter report, including that of the museum, received favorable comment.

Mrs. James R. Cranek, third vice-president, and Mrs. Jerry G. Hester compiled an attractive scrapbook which received favorable mention.

Second vice-president Mrs. H. B. Wood urged the chapters to set up more scholarships.

Mrs. T. R. Graham, registrar, reported 72 Texas chapters with 2,223 members. Shropshire-Upton Chapter had five new members this year bringing the total membership to 78.

A Memorial Service led by Mrs. Bell Thomas, chaplain, and Call of the chapters white carnations were placed on a wreath for each member who died in 1975. The members of Shropshire-Upton Chapter who died this year were Mrs. Joe Shaw, a Real Daughter; Mrs. William H. Young, Sr., a Real Daughter; Miss Lillian Reese; Mrs. Charlene Lewis; and Miss Sallie Jones.

A luncheon honoring the Real Daughters of Confederate Veterans was held at Holiday Inn. Eleven Real Daughters were present. Attractive favors decorated the tables.

James Saye, Commander of the Texas Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans, was a special guest.

At the close of the session the delegates enjoyed a tea at the home of Mrs. W. D. Nicholson of Lake Jackson. —Reporter.

Victory Dance At Community Center Sat.

A Victory Dance for students of Rice High School, grades 9 through 12, will be held Saturday, Oct. 25th at the Eagle Lake Community Center. The event is being sponsored by Rickey Cunningham and Willie Smith who are ex-students of Rice.

Admission to the dance will be $2.50 for couples and $1.50 for singles.

YA Fashion, Talent Show at WCJC Tonite, Thurs.

Stylish models, talented musicians and dancers, spiritual singers, and dramatic actors-actresses have been cast in the annual Young Americans Fashion and Talent Show to be held Thursday, Oct. 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Dozier-Hansen Fine Arts Theatre at Wharton County Junior College in Wharton.

Y-A President Willie Smith, Jr. of Garwood invites the public to attend. Admission is $1 and 75 cents for Young American members.

Eagle Lake dancers include Carolyn Sims, Barbara Hurd and Zannetta Henry; and Smith will play in a combo "The Synthetic Sound".

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Edward Rosprim, Jr. Retired AF Sgt., Dies

Funeral services for T/Sgt. Edward A. Rosprim, Jr. (USAF, Retired), 51, of 7020 Dogwood St. in El Paso, Tex. who passed away on Fri., Oct. 10th, were held Wed., Oct. 15th from the Harding-Orr and McDaniels Chapel in El Paso with the Rev. Gordon Bays officiating.

Interment was in Fort Bliss National Cemetery with military honors.

Mrs. Lewis Rosprim, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rosprim of Eagle Lake flew to El Paso to attend the services and to be with the family.

He was the son and brother of the late Mrs. Frances Rosprim and the late Lewis J. Rosprim of this city.

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