

OBITUARIES

William Carl Allbright

December 24, 1913 - May 6, 1996

William Carl Allbright of San Marcos passed away on May 6, 1996, at the age of 82. He was born on December 24, 1913, in San Marcos. He was a San Marcos City Marshal, Hays County Deputy Sheriff and an officer of the Guadalupe Valley Peace Officer's Association. He was Police Chief of San Marcos from 1953 to 1963, Fire Marshal of the Gary Air Force Base, charter member of the Noon Lions Club and Volunteer Fire Department, in which he was active for 40 years, and a member of the elite Ten Year Senior Fireman's Club. In addition to being active in civic affairs, he was an avid hunter and fisherman. Mr. Allbright was business manager of Pennington Funeral Home for 20 years before retiring. Survivors include his wife of 35 years, Edris Collier Pennington Allbright; a son, Bill Pennington and his wife Linda, all of San Marcos; daughters, Kay Tilton Thomas of Eagle Lake and Sue Pennington of Austin; a brother, Charles "Tinker" Allbright of San Marcos; nine grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; four nieces and many special friends. Graveside services were held Thursday, May 9, 1996, at 10 a.m. at San Marcos City Cemetery with Rev. Jim Humphries officiating. Pennington Funeral Home of San Marcos was in charge of arrangements. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

J.C. Dominy

J.C. Dominy, 79, of Lissie, passed away Wednesday, May 8, 1996, at 3:40 p.m. at Rice District Community Hospital. He was born October 18, 1916, in Bold Springs to James Harrison and Mary Frances Oliver Dominy. A native of East Texas, he and Thelma Lee Lott were united in marriage on May 3, 1942 in Goodrich.

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Rudolf A. 'Rudy' Drlik Sr.

April 11, 1918 - May 11, 1996

Rudolf A. "Rudy" Drlik Sr., 78, of Garwood, passed away on May 11, 1996, at T.H.C. Hospital in Houston. He was born April 11, 1918, in Garwood to John V. and Mary Mateck Drlik. He and Evelyn Pavlu were married on January 29, 1946. He was a retired farmer. Rudy was affiliated with St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada and the Knights of Columbus Nada Council and a World War II Veteran. He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Leo and John Drlik; two sisters, Justina Cranek and Mary Hoelscher. Survivors include his wife, Evelyn; daughter and son-in-law, Gloria Ann and Jake Allen of San Diego, Calif.; sons and daughter-in-law, Rudy Jr. and Carol Drlik of Garwood, Kenneth Wayne Drlik of Houston; sister, Adell Parr of Garwood; brother, Jimmie Drlik of Garwood; grandchildren, Lisa Renee Drlik and Vickie Lynn Drlik. Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 14, at 10 a.m. from St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada with Msgr. Victor Schmidtzyk officiating. Burial followed in the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Nada. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus. Pallbearers were James Drlik, Dennis and John Lee Korenek, Jerome Waligura, and Gregory Lobpriess. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

J.C. Dominy

That same year, J.C. entered the service with the U.S. Army in World War II. He served honorably as a sergeant with the 578th Main Squadron, 25th Air Service Corp, and was awarded the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal; Good Conduct Medal and the World War II Victory Medal. They resided in Cleveland until moving to East Bernard, then Lissie, where he had resided for the past 40 years. J.C. retired from Tenneco in 1981 as chief plant operator with 34 years of service. He loved fishing, hunting and gardening. A devoted husband, father and grandfather, he will be missed by all. Survivors include his wife, Thelma Lee of Lissie; daughters and sons-in-law, Mary and Mark Hladivinka of Lissie and Jenny and Edward Talas of East Bernard; sons and daughters-in-law, John and Sandy Dominy of Lissie and James and Paula Dominy of La Marque; sisters, Maurine Hill of Woodville, La Wanda Yancey of Cleveland and Mildred Frye of Splendor; eight grandchildren and numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and loved ones. Funeral services were held Friday, May 10, at 2 p.m. from the Chapel of Dulany Funeral Home with Rev. Sandra Kimbrow, pastor of Lissie United Methodist Church, officiating. Interment followed in the Lissie Community Cemetery. Pallbearers were Robert, Larry and Truman Brown, Aubrey Sutton, Greg Henry and Larry Lott. The family requests that memorial contributions be made to the American Cancer Society. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

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Lorene 'Dutch' Westphal

December 1, 1919 - May 12, 1996

Lorene "Dutch" Westphal, 76, of Frelsburg passed away on May 12, 1996, at Columbus Community Hospital. She was born on December 1, 1919 in Frelsburg to Hugo and Helene Kickler Westphal. She was a retired liquor store clerk. She was affiliated with Trinity Lutheran Church in Frelsburg. She was preceded in death by her parents; five sisters and one brother. Survivors include daughter and son-in-law, JoCarol and James (Butch) Besch of Columbus; brother, Willard Westphal of Frelsburg; sister-in-law, Olga Westphal of Frelsburg; two grandchildren Shannon and Blake Besch. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, May 15, at 10 a.m. from Trinity Lutheran Church in Frelsburg with Rev. Mike Burns officiating. Burial followed in the Trinity Lutheran Cemetery in Frelsburg. Arrangements were under the direction of Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus. Pallbearers were Billie Halamick, Carol Jean Meitzen, Chris and Liz Westphal, Nancy Leyendecker, Lillian Hoppe. Honorary pallbearers were Juerline Boer, Lois Bartlett, and Kathy Fielder. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Bertha Canik Wostarek

October 1, 1903 - May 9, 1996

Bertha Canik Wostarek, 92, of Frelsburg passed away May 9, 1996, at her residence. She was born October 1, 1903, in Frelsburg to Joseph and Marie Kulhanek Canik. She and John Wostarek were married on November 20, 1923. She was a housewife and a member of Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church in Frelsburg and St. Ann's Altar Society of Frelsburg. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, John, August 13, 1985; three sisters, three brothers, five brothers-in-law; one sister-in-law, three grandsons, and one great-grandchild. Survivors include daughters and son-in-law, Bessie and Leander Walla of Ramsey, Julia Wostarek of Frelsburg; sons and daughters-in-law, Justin and Cora Wostarek of Frelsburg, Erwin and Helen Wostarek of La Grange and Leonard Wostarek of Frelsburg; sisters, Vlasta Vasek of Fayetteville, Bernina Kubickak and Tony Hallmann of Frelsburg, Christina Pavsek of East Bernard; brother, August Canik and wife Mary of Fayetteville; sisters-in-law, Mrs. Joe (Mary) Canik of Frelsburg, Lorene Canik of Fayetteville; 20 grandchildren; 38 great grandchildren; two great-great grandsons. Funeral services were held on Saturday, May 11, at 1 p.m. from Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Frelsburg with Fr. Wayne Flagg officiating. Burial followed in the Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Cemetery in Frelsburg. Services were under the direction of Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus. Pallbearers were Patrick, Thomas, Monroe, Michael and Chris Wostarek and Kenneth Walla. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

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sode, too." My father's parents told him, "The Germans have never hated us as much as the Poles. Surely, life will not be too terrible. We will survive." My father's eldest brother, seven years his senior, was adamant that the Nazis had a far more sinister intent than anyone could imagine. He married his sweetheart and escaped to the Soviet Union. There, he was interred in Siberia, but survived the war. His story is another lecture in itself. No one, not even my uncle, could have imagined what the Nazis truly had in store.

The Lodz ghetto, like ghettos all over Poland, enclosed the poorest area of the city, and walled off the Jews from the rest of the population. The Lodz ghetto was an area encompassing 1.6 sq. miles - about the size of Eagle Lake proper. Into this 1.6 sq. mile area, my father and his family and 144,000 other Jews were herded. My father was young and strong and was put to work on building sites inside and outside the ghetto. He received food in return for work. No one without work received food. Chaos, poverty and a constant cloud of terror characterized life in the ghetto. As my father did not "look" very Jewish, he regularly escaped from the ghetto into the city through the sewer system, mingling with the Poles in search of whatever food was rampant - typhoid, dysentery, malnutrition.

At the end of 1941, the deportation began. Thousands were "relocated" every week - to "settlements in the countryside where they could start new lives" - they were told. But when trains load after train load of underclothing, coats, shoes, eyeglasses, jewelry returned to the ghetto for sorting and shipping to Germany, the lies were quickly unmasked. The train trip was no relocation to the countryside. To stay employed, useful, well and inconspicuous was the name of survival in the ghetto. My father worked tirelessly, but his mother fell ill. When my father returned from work one day, he was told she had been taken to a hospital within the ghetto. My father knew, as he was in contact with so many people through this

work, that they were deporting people every day from the hospital to Chelmo - a death camp. These Jews never reached Chelmo alive as the trucks themselves were fitted out as gas chambers. He rushed to the hospital and found his mother. She was on the second floor. Tying sheets into a rope, he had his mother hang on around his neck and he lowered them both to the ground and took her back to their dwelling. The Lodz ghetto lasted the longest of them all - until Aug. 1944 when the last 70,000 Jewish workers and their families were deported. Because my father was still able to work, he and his family were among the last to be deported from the ghetto. They were shipped to Auschwitz. My mother was born in Bialystok, a much smaller, rural based city. She came from a very religious family. Her grandfather had a scribe in his house to handwrite the Torah - the first five books of the Bible, and this was a most revered position. Her family was cultured and educated and held itself to the highest standards of etiquette and good taste. My mother was a scribe in 1939. She attended Polish high school which was very unusual as Jewish children were not allowed to attend Polish high schools, unless exceptionally bright and on scholarships. She was very bright and won a scholarship to attend.

When the Nazis invaded from the West, the Russians, in a pact with Hitler, invaded from the East, and until June 1941 when Germany invaded the Soviet Union, my mother and her family lived under Soviet rule. It was certainly different - she and her sister attended Russian school and were made to learn Russian. Religious observance was forbidden and there was much made of "re-educating" the Polish peasants to Communism. But there were no ghettos; there was rationing, but no starvation; there was fear, but no terror. When Germany broke its pact with the Soviet Union and reclaimed the eastern sector of Poland, everything changed. Again, Jews were herded into the poorest section of Bialystok and walls and barbed wire erected. The Bialystok ghetto held 40,000 Jews and again work was survival. (See More Reed, Page 6)

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RAIDER REVIEW



Junior and seniors get ready to have a wonderful time, but first take time to stop by the sign-in table at the prom.

Judging team ends season

On Friday, April 26, the Rice FFA Livestock Judging Team competed in the Wharton County Youth Fair Judging Contest. The team consisted of Brooke Cranek, Frances Mrkwa, Michelle Spaniel and Scott Bittner. They received their highest Team overall out of 27 teams. The livestock judging team had a very successful season. Throughout the year, the team has received numerous awards and plaques. They have traveled to many places including San Antonio, and Ft. Bend, Austin, Washington, Colorado and Jackson Counties. They also have competed in the Area Judging Contest at College Station. Congratulations to all the members of the team for having a successful season!

From left to right, Frances Mrkwa, Brooke Cranek, Michelle Spaniel, Scott Bittner and FFA Advisor Leroy Stavinoia.

Meet the Raider

In the spotlight of the Varsity Raider baseball team is senior, Christian Cordova. Wearing jersey #9, he is the team's star catcher. Christian commented that "the season may have ended on a loss, but many positive things happened." He feels that they have learned from their mistakes, and next season the returns will come out on top.

The motivation of the team's positive attitude is solely due to the coaches," according to Christian. They are always there to keep them on their feet. He said, "They deserve a lot of credit because they did a 'heck' of a job, and I would like to thank them for that." Christian is also involved in football, baseball and band. In his spare time, he likes to party with his friends. Christian is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Cordova of Eagle Lake.

Who's Zat?

Just look at this adorable, little messy face! The only clue given was that this face belonged to a junior. Jennifer Miller and Cody Cerny were completely wrong when they thought this cutie was Robyn Rucka. Valerie Johnson and Shara Glaiser incorrectly guessed George Weller. Brent Schneider, Gina Sides, Rachel Mathys, Marcie Till, Rachelle Kallina, Kris Gertson, Michael Wiese and Robyn Rucka all knew it was none other than Lance Grigar.



Lance is also involved in PALS and Student Council, and is Junior Class Reporter. He enjoys going out with friends on weekends.

Rice High School prom

The Rice High School Junior Class hosted its annual 1996 Junior/Senior Prom. This annual event was held May 4 at the Stafford Opera House in Columbus. The Opera House ballroom was decorated to accommodate the theme of "Treasures in Paradise". Black, silver, and gold were the dominant colors that covered the tables and the walls of the ballroom. One corner of the dance space was occupied by a sunken ship which was 14' high and 12' wide. The space around the ship was decorated with gold and silver seaweed, starfish, dolphins and seahorses. Thanks to several busy women, the food on the food table remained plentiful all night. The finger foods consisted of meats, cheeses, cookies, pecan tarts, cherry cheesecakes, fruits and vegetables. Several freshmen worked this table all night, serving punch, to keep the guests satisfied. The music was provided by Audio Visual and Performance, a disc jockey from Angleton. They played the most popular, current music and used lights to enhance the mood of each song.

FTA holds banquet

The Rice chapter Future Teachers of America held its annual banquet on Monday, May 6. The special event was catered by the 50's Cafe in Sheridan, with a meal consisting of chicken-fried steak, buttered potatoes, green beans, a salad and a slice of peach cake. After the dinner, sponsor Mrs. Vavrusa began heading the special ballot voting for next year's officers. Nominations were made and approved at the last FTA meeting. The ballots were counted and the candle lighting ceremony which serves to pass the light of knowledge from the former officer to the selected officer began.

The 1996-97 FTA president is Jennifer Kreeck. Her new cabinet consists of vice-president Lainece Labay, secretary Shara Glaiser, treasurer Sunny Gertson, historian Marcie Till, and parliamentary Jennifer Miller. Following the inductions, Mrs. Vavrusa handed out gifts to the outgoing officers, as well as attendance and top flower seller awards. Congratulations to the new officers and may next year's FTA club be successful.

RHS teachers get initiated

On Saturday, May 4, Jane Clipson, Jimmi Kasper and Jane Wied were initiated into the Beta Theta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. All three women teach at Rice High School; Clipson teaches English, Kasper, Spanish; and Wied, mathematics. Delta Kappa Gamma is a professional honorary society of women educators. It promotes professional and personal growth of its members and unites them in spiritual fellowship. Members include classroom teachers, college and university professors, administrators and supervisors, librarians and educational specialists. Among its activities are endowment of scholarships to aid women educators in pursuing graduate study and granting of fellowships to women educators from other countries.

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By Robyn Rucka

Pictures were taken by Jodi Sebesta from Jodi & Co. of Columbus. The background, made by Betty and Gary Glaiser, was made up of blue and black gossamer, a black treasure chest, several gold and silver animals and seaweed. After the grand march and dancing to several songs, Junior Class President Sunny Gertson announced the 1996 Prom King and Queen. Six boys were nominated for the position of King: Blake Canaris, Christian Cordova, Jorge Hernandez, Garrett Hagendorf, Clint Kreeck and Michael Wiese. Laulita DeVille, Nikki Fuller, Courtney Parker, Michelle Parker, Aimie Smith and Kristen Stienke were the girls up for the honor of Queen.

The two chosen by the junior and senior classes to win this title were Miss Courtney Parker and Mr. Clint (Shorty) Kreeck. The Rice High Junior Class worked very hard to make this prom such a success, but couldn't have done it without the help of several people. They would like to thank all of the sponsors and parents, especially Judy

Engstrom, Betsy Glaiser, Melody Grigar, Sheila Mathis, Sue Canaris, Connie Gertson, Sylvia Rucka, Marsha Kallina, Vicki Powers, Beverly Machac and Sandy Schneider, Ginny Young and Helyn Rucka.

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