

OBITUARIES

Martha Ann Polach Bodungen

August 7, 1919 - June 23, 1996

Martha Ann Polach Bodungen, 77, of Columbus, died Sunday, June 23, 1996, at her residence. She was born August 7, 1919, in Holman to Roman and Kristine Kristoff Polach. Martha and her sister Mary owned and operated Mary and Martha's Cafe for 30 years. She was well-known for her 24 years of service as Colorado County Treasurer. She was a faithful member of St. Anthony Catholic Church, the Altar Society and Catholic Daughters.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, John, Richard and Lawrence Polach; and a sister, Frances Koehn. Survivors include two daughters, Pat and Marilyn of Columbus; two sisters, Mary Brandt of Columbus and Agnes Helm of Rosenberg; sisters-in-law, Dorothy Polach and Margie Halfmann of Columbus and Martha Polach of Sheridan; and numerous nieces and nephews. Pallbearers were held Tuesday, June 25, at St. Anthony Catholic Church with Fathers Tim Kosler and Dan Kahlich officiating. Interment followed in St. Anthony Catholic Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus. Pallbearers were nephews, John, Allan and Bruce Polach, Marvin and George Koehn, Mark and Stephen Helm and Tommy Blair. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Anthony Catholic Church or St. Anthony Catholic School. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Frank Lee Graves Sr.

November 27, 1907 - June 28, 1996

Frank Lee Graves Sr., 88, of Eagle Lake passed away on Friday, June 28, 1996, at 5:22 p.m. at Heritage House Nursing Home of Eagle Lake. He was born on November 27, 1907, in Osage to Luther Lee and Halie Campbell Graves. He was an Eagle Lake resident for over 60 years. Frank was retired from his career in welding from Texas Concrete Silo Company. He and Marie Claudia Busse were united in marriage in Mentz on November 11, 1931. Survivors include his devoted wife of 65 years, Marie 4 4 Claudia, of Eagle Lake; a son, Frank Graves Jr. of Wharton; and other relatives and loved ones. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, July 2, from the Chapel of Dulany Funeral Home, Eagle Lake with Rev. Barry Bauer-schlag, Pastor, Eagle Lake United Methodist Church officiating.

Interment followed in Lakeside Cemetery, Eagle Lake. Dulany Funeral Home of Eagle Lake was in charge of arrangements. Pallbearers were Floyd Fisher, Gene Link, Bill Wegenholt, John Morris, Doug Walker and Bill Yolander. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association or to your favorite charity. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Elmer H. Larsen Sr.

December 6, 1908 - June 20, 1996

Elmer H. Larsen, Sr. 87, was reunited on Thursday, June 20, 1996, with his beloved wife, Maybelle. He was born in Wheelock, North Dakota, December 6, 1908, to Miller and Karen Larsen. Elmer grew up as a farmer in the wheat fields of North Dakota. 1908 was the year of the greatest celestial event in modern history (the Siberian Tunguska Event) and a time in which bacon sold for 21¢ and a 1 ct. diamond ring cost \$148. With the onset of the Great Depression and the related bank failures of the 1930's, Elmer embarked on a life of adventure throughout the western United States. From rodeo cowboy to lumberjack to sheep herder, he followed his wanderlust until his country called for his service in February 1942. From basic training at age 33, Elmer served his country in World War II and rose to the rank of Master Sergeant being awarded, among others, a Bronze Star in the Rhineland Campaign. Elmer returned to Columbus and his lovely wife, Maybelle, whom he had met and later married on August 12, 1944, when he served as a heavy ordinance maintenance instructor. Elmer commuted to Eagle Lake where he was employed by Farmers Equipment Co. as a working shop foreman. Four years later, he was offered "the opportunity of a lifetime" to work at the R.E. "Bob" Smith Ranch near Rock Island. They settled into a

life of Texas rice farming and cattle ranching as Elmer worked as the ranch foreman for over 30 years. He was preceded in death by his wife and parents; and a brother, Carl, in January of 1995. Elmer is survived by his son, Elmer H. "Sonny" Larsen Jr.; daughter-in-law Anne Larsen; grandchildren Jonathan and Natalie Larsen of Monrovia, Calif.; grandson, Gary Larsen of Brenham; daughter, Karen S. Larsen and her partner F. Douglas Stephens of Houston; sister, Lillie Donner of Hettinger, North Dakota; brother, Amos Larsen of Ft. Mead, South Dakota; and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews. A memorial service was held at the First United Methodist Church in Columbus on Wednesday, June 26, at 10 a.m. Burial followed at the Myrtle Cemetery in Rock Island. Arrangements were under the direction of Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations be made in Elmer's honor to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 570127, Houston, Tx. 77257-0127, or the First United Methodist Church, 1229 Millam, Columbus, 78934. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

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Maxine R. Kirby

August 12, 1934 - June 25, 1996

Maxine R. Kirby, 61, of Perkins past away on June 25, 1996, at St. Francis Hospital in Tulsa, Oklahoma. She was born August 12, 1934, in Albuquerque, New Mexico to Raymond V. and Eva L. Fickel. She moved with her family to Chanute, Kansas, when she was five years old and attended schools at Chanute and Earlton. She attended York College at York, Nebraska, and in 1954, transferred to Westmar College in Le Mars, Iowa, where she graduated in 1956 with a B.S. degree. She and Tom Kirby were married on July 29, 1956, in Earlton, Kansas. Kirby lived in Dayton, Ohio, where she worked to enable her husband to graduate from United Theological Seminary. The family served many churches including Blackwell, 1959-62; Lissie, 1962-69; Altus, Okla., 1969-70; Perry, Okla., 1970-76; Tahlequah, Okla., 1976-80; and Pryor, Okla., 1980-82. She supported her husband in the United States Methodist Church camping program as a volunteer. The couple moved to Stillwater in 1985 where Mrs. Kirby enjoyed working with children and youth and was active in all phases of the church camping program. She also enjoyed working in her garden and with flowers. Kirby was a certified marriage leader in the Marriage Growth Workshop and the Human Sexuality Program in the United Methodist Church. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church and a homemaker. She was preceded in death by her mother and one brother, who died in infancy. Survivors include her husband, Tom; her father, Raymond of Stillwater; son and daughter-in-law, Eugene T. and Jennifer Kirby of Dodge City, Kansas; daughters and sons-in-law, Joline M. Wood and husband Mark of Norman; Linda Kirby Ball and husband Chris of Pryor; and Ramona C. Gerondale and husband Grant of Tulsa. She is survived by seven grandchildren, Sarah and Ryan Kirby, Michelle Wood, Julie and Wesley Ball, and Geoffrey and Garrett Gerondale. Funeral services were held Friday, June 28, at 3 p.m. from First United Methodist Church with Dr. James P. Gragg and Rev. Susan Ross officiating. Interment followed in Sunset Memorial Gardens in Stillwater. Stroebe Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Martha 'Mattie' Elizabeth Hudson Rutta Krosnick

October 31, 1910 - June 30, 1996

Martha "Mattie" Elizabeth Hudson Rutta Krosnick, 85, passed away June 30, 1996, in a Houston hospital following a brief illness. She was born on October 31, 1910, in Rock Island to James William and Cora Estelle Smith Hudson. She lived all of her married life in Columbus. Mattie was preceded in death by her first husband, Charles D. Rutta, and a daughter, Mary Ann Rutta Duff; and all but one of her brothers and sisters. She was a faithful member of First Baptist Church of Columbus, which she joined on her wedding day, August 7, 1932, and was an active member of the Dorcus Sunday School Class. She was an active member of the Shropshire-Upton Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, John Everett Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, a Life Member of the Magnolia Homes Tour Inc., sponsor of the Stafford Opera House and a member of the Live Oak Art Center. She remained an active volunteer at the Confederate Museum and she lived to travel. Survivors include her husband of 23 years, David Krosnick; brother,

Chester Hudson of Rock Island; three daughters, Jo Ann Friberg and husband Emil of Arlington, Fran Gillen and husband Jim of Columbus, Martha Hester and husband Jerry of Waco; one son, Charles D. Rutta Jr. and wife Rosemary of Socorro, New Mexico; one son-in-law, Dan P. Duff of Richmond; five grandchildren, Emil Friberg Jr. and wife Kathleen of Washington, D.C.; Vicki Friberg of Taipei, Taiwan, Joe Alan Friberg and wife Tammie of Arlington, Mary Elizabeth Duff of Richmond, and Alexandra Gillen of Chicago, Ill.; and four great grandsons. Funeral services were held at the First Baptist Church in Columbus Tuesday, July 2, at 10 a.m. with Rev. Sammy Carr officiating. Interment followed in the Old Fellowship Rest Cemetery, Columbus. Henneke Funeral Home, Columbus, was in charge of arrangements. Pallbearers were Jim, Bob and Barry Rutta, James Seymour, Bill Gruy and Earl Pitchford. Honorary pallbearer was Bob Hudson. Memorial donations may be made to the First Baptist Church of Columbus, or to the Magnolia Homes Tour Inc. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Hubert 'H.P.' Preston Parr

August 12, 1915 - June 18, 1996

Hubert "H.P." Preston Parr, 80, of Garwood passed away June 18, 1996. He was born August 12, 1915, in Greenville to Parker and Nora Ashby Parr. H.P. was a U.S. Navy Veteran of World War II and a member of VFW in Eagle Lake and the American Legion in El Campo. He was the Chief Clerk for MKT Railroad for 46 years and a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Gladys Wilson; and a brother, Raymond Parr. Survivors include his wife of 47 years, Adell Drik Parr of Garwood; and numerous nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 20, at 10:30 a.m. from St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada with Msgr. Victor Schmidzinsky officiating. Burial followed in the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery with Military Honors under the auspices of the American Legion. Triska Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Pallbearers were Rudy, Kenny,

James and Charlie Drik, Lawrence Pavva and Frank Litsvan. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Leon Reising

December 12, 1911 - June 17, 1996

White of Columbus; brothers, Walter Reising of Lake Jackson and Rubin Reising of Columbus; six grandchildren, Lynn, Bruce, Lee, Danford, Lynette and Kristi Reising; and one great granddaughter, Alexia Dawn Reising. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 20, at 10 a.m. from St. Anthony Catholic Church in Columbus with Father Dan Kahlich officiating. Interment followed in St. Anthony Catholic Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus. Pallbearers were Lynn, Lee, Bruce and Danford Reising, Harold Bence Ruhnmann and Bo Bullard. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Leon Reising, 84, of Columbus, passed away June 17, 1996, at River Oaks Nursing Home in Columbus. He was born December 12, 1911, in Shaws Bend to Albert and Annie Ohl Reising. Leon was a resident of Columbus for 43 years, a farmer and dragline operator and a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church. He married Dorothy Berger on November 8, 1938. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Dorothy Berger Reising; three brothers and three sisters. Survivors include sons and daughters-in-law, Norbert and Virginia Reising of Columbus, James and Connie Reising of Brookshire, and Alton and Carolyn Reising of Katy; sisters, Lydia Kirsch of La Grange and LaVerne

Eddie M. Vasut

July 30, 1917 - June 26, 1996

Eddie M. Vasut, 78, of Columbus passed away June 26, 1996, at Columbus Community Hospital. He was born on July 30, 1917, in Fayette County to Frank and Caroline Foyt Vasut and was a lifetime resident of Columbus. He and Veronica Noska were united in marriage on July 11, 1944. Vasut was a retired dredge operator, and a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church and Woodmen of the World. He was preceded in death by his

parents; sisters Willye Mae Skalitsky, Carrie Mae Zapp, and one infant sister; brothers, Leslie Joe Vasut, Frank Vasut and an infant brother. Survivors include his wife Veronica, of Columbus; daughter, Diane Green Gerkey of Eagle Lake; sons and daughters-in-law, Eddie A. and Esther Vasut of East Bernard, Larry G. and Linda Vasut of Lissie and Curtis D. and Donna Vasut of Columbus; sister, Lillian Klaiden of Columbus; brothers, Clarence Joe Vasut of Fayetteville, Walter Ben Vasut of Waco and Dennis Joe Vasut of Columbus; grandchildren, Tracy E. and wife Joyce Vasut, Theresa and husband Kevin Young, James Randal Green, Bobby Daniel Green, Terry David Vasut, Lisa Ann Vasut, Jennifer Lauren Vasut and Colton Joseph Anthony Vasut; and a great-granddaughter, Vanessa Ray Green. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 29, at 10 a.m. from St. Anthony Catholic Church in Columbus with Father Dan Kahlich officiating. Interment followed in the St. Peter and Paul Catholic Cemetery in Frelsburg. Arrangements were under the direction of Henneke Funeral Home, Columbus. Serving as pallbearers were Kevin Young, Terry, Colton and Tracy Vasut, Bobby and James Green and Bill Wallock. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Peck receives honors

During the week of June 16-21, Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos held its annual SWT Band Camp. Two hundred and thirty high school students from across the state spent the week attending classes on music theory, rhythm techniques and concert performance. Among the young people attending was Monte W. Peck. After singing and playing auditions were held, Monte received the honor of being chosen first chair trumpet player for the concert band. He also received an award for Outstanding Achievement in Rhythm Technique and a certificate for five years attendance at SWT Band Camp. SWTU also sponsored a talent show in which Monte and his roommate, Kyle Ziller of Liberty Hill, took first place, performing on guitars a song that was written, composed and arranged by Peck. KTSW Radio Station in San Marcos also sponsored an amateur musical contest in which Peck won hands down with his demo recording of "That Is What I Get", another of his original compositions. He was awarded five new CDs by the station and his song was broadcast that evening. Monte and Kyle also won first place for best decorated dorm room. Monte is a member of the Hallettsville High School "Sweepstakes" Brahma Band, the son of Aileen and Monte D. Peck and the grandson of Albert and Earlene Botard of Sheridan. (See Alleyton, Page 8)

Bible Verse of the Week

"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." — II Corinthians 5:17 Submitted by Leslie Risk

PRAIRIE EDGE MUSEUM NEWS

An ancient Upper Grist Mill Stone was recently loaned for exhibit at Prairie Edge Museum by Louis C. Schorlemmer Jr. This impressive milling device, fashioned from a massive piece of limestone, was found in the 1920's by the late Louis C. Schorlemmer Sr., just north of Tivoli near a fork of the San Antonio and Guadalupe Rivers and the junction of the three counties, Victoria, Calhoun and Refugio. This area was the site of the original Spanish mission La Bahia, which was later moved to its present location near Goidard. Visitors to Prairie Edge Museum will find the building more enjoyable when they walk on floors newly-painted battleship gray.

Currently, the Theater Room has been completed, according to curators Bill Harrison and Rollin Baker. They appreciate the help of P.E.M. Board Presidents Vic Scott and Louis Schorlemmer plus Jason Dunaway and Mason Cochran for expert brush- and roller-work for the expert assistance of Lake Lumber Company Inc.

Alleyton

By Rollin Baker - Chapter 25, Continued

Last time, we left Seth and Pvt. Jerry Tomlin after they had just been attacked by two men. The older waiter walked over to them peering down as they finally got to their feet. "I'm sorry for the boys' rough play. Since their mother passed away, they've lost some of their gentleness. Wrestling is an every day sport for them. Taking on all comers fat and square is one thing, but jumping you unexpectedly-like is another. I'll see to their punishment."

Turning to his two boys, he ordered, "Now you apologize to these fellows!" "We're sorry for what we did," admitted Johann and Eric, sheepishly. About that time Seth caught his breath, and rubbing a painful spot on his back, said, "I'm sure that I speak for both Jerry and myself in accepting your apology. As my father just said, your surprise attack put us at a disadvantage indeed. Tell you what, on some other occasion, I'll be glad to meet either of you in a wrestling match."

Jerry, gasping a little, croaked, "That goes for me too, but for now I need a little time to recuperate." "I'm sure something like that can be arranged," laughed the waiter. "By the way, my name is Karl Gruber and these are my sons Johann and Eric. "My name is John Hyde," said Seth, and my friend is Jerry Tomlin. Our sudden meeting certainly turned a rather innocent ride in the country into an exciting event. Let's let bygones be bygones. I hope that we can be friends."

The group nodded at each other, sleeping room from the kitchen. There was a chimney of mud and sticks at each end of the elongated building. In the kitchen the fireplace served as a stove with cook pots hanging from swinging brackets. Despite the lack of a feminine hand, the interior of the kitchen was neat and utensils orderly arranged. Karl waved Seth and Jerry to sit on stools while Johann and Eric stood. "Please excuse the humble appearance," smiled Karl. "After losing Gerta, we've had to batch as best we could. The boys are good field hands but not too good as housekeepers. "I'd say," said Jerry, "that you have accomplished a great deal and have a bright future here." "Yes," answered Karl in heavily-accented English, "we have a lot to be thankful for. Leaving our home in Schleswig-Holstein was a difficult decision, but we love our new home and want to stay here the rest of our lives." Seth remarked, "We surely do wish you all of the luck in achieving your goal. From what we can see of your homestead, you are getting there." "Thank you for your kind words," Karl said, as he brought the hot tea kettle and a pan of corn bread to the side table. "Fortunately, we have close friends nearby to help us. You see, several families from our village came here at the same time that we did. We have good bottom soil in which to grow our crops, but pray each summer for a little more rain." Karl had his boys fix tin cups of hot tea for Seth and Jerry and passed them each a square of corn bread. Then he said after everyone was served, "Not meaning to pry, but how is it that you happened to be riding out this way?" "Frankly," said Seth, "we both are from the east and got acquainted through our work in Alleyton. Since I have been here only a few weeks, Jerry here offered to show me the country side. If this war would go away, I might even decide to settle in these parts just as you have." "Oh, yes, that war," exclaimed Karl. "We left Europe to avoid such disasters only to find ourselves in the middle of another one. We don't wish any part of it, but do find that our surplus farm products bring a good price in the market as a result." "I appreciate your feelings about the bloody business," said Seth. "It has been disruptive to all of us. Tell me, do you have any dealings with the military in either Alleyton or Columbus except for the selling of your farm produce?" "Paw," spoke up Johann emphatically, "these two talk like 'cruits'!" "Nothing like that," said Jerry quickly. "Don't worry. We're your friends and not trying into your likes and dislikes about military life." "Behave yourself Johann," lectured Karl sternly. "Our guests seem friendly enough. Conversing with them, as strangers, is interesting - and we have to find visitors as it is. Listen carefully so you can learn a few more words of English from them." "Thank you," chuckled Jerry, "for your trust in us. In fact, we enjoy hearing about your adventures since the ancestors of Seth and myself also came to this country but too long ago for us to have known them. And so we have little feelings for those who have just gone through the long ordeal of boarding a ship to make a long and uncertain crossing to these shores and (See Alleyton, Page 8)

Seth and Jerry Come In Second Best with both Johann and Eric at a loss for wondering what kind of punishment their father had in mind for them. "Tell you what," said Karl, "I'm on my way to the house for cornbread and tea. Would you like to join us? I know it won't, make up for your bruises or two?" Jerry looked at Seth and nodded after which Seth replied, "That's right hospitable of you. Lead the way, and we'll follow with the horses."

The group, visiting while walking, continued up the edge of the field to a side clearing where the Grubers' cabin, bar, out-houses, and corral were situated. Construction was of hand-hewn lumber, mostly from oak trees; Seth also noted a scattering of logs there, mulberry, and pine as well. In their approach they passed a fenced garden plot green from rows of cabbages. It was a rustic but comfortable looking habitation. "Your horses at the corral," said Karl, "and come on in the kitchen to get the fire stoked in order to get heat tea water."

"Maybe we can get friendly enough with these nesters," whispered Jerry, "to get their opinion about this cotton-stealing business?" "We'll do our best to try," answered Seth. "I doubt if these fellows are involved, otherwise they should have more worldly goods around to show for it."

Seth and Jerry tied their mounts, stopped by a water basin to rinse their hands, and stepped up on the covered but open porch which separated the



Outgoing President Jean Walker, left, passed the gavel to new Lions' president William Gohlke during the recent installation of officers by the Sheridan service organization. Photo Courtesy of Jean Walker

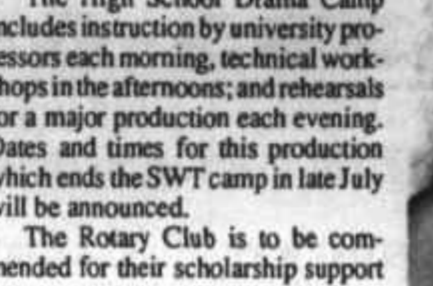
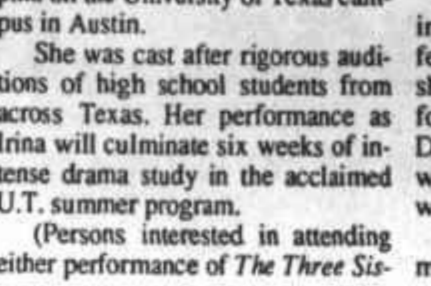
Foot Facts

By Dr. Eric R. Tepper, Podiatrist **PLAYING HARBALL WITH AEROBICS** Regular exercise that raises the pulse rate can do wonders for a person's heart, muscles, respiratory system, and mental attitude. It can do a number, though, on feet. For example, the bouncing and lunging of many high-impact aerobic workouts can take a tremendous toll on the balls of the feet. "Sesamoiditis" is the name of a painful inflammation of the tissues surrounding the two major bones that come together forming the ball of the foot. Anyone who works out in a high-impact aerobic program at least three times a week should take extra care to wear appropriate footwear and seek help quickly for any pain or inflammation that occurs. Substituting lower-impact sports such as cycling or swimming may also be wise. For athletes of all ages who participate in sports of all kinds, professional attention and guidance can help reduce the potential for injury from demanding, aerobic workouts and other athletic activities. Any difficulties with your feet can adversely affect your comfort and lifestyle. Call for your appointment at 234-5571, at Rice District Community Hospital. I am here every Tuesday. P.S. To avoid aggravating the foot pounding of aerobics, never slip into high heels or other restrictive shoes after a workout.

Local drama students attend camps

Sara Mann and Valerie Galvan, members of the Rice High School Drama Club known as the Raider Players, have been accepted to attend university-sponsored summer drama camps in Austin and San Marcos. Sara, daughter of David and Claudia Mann of Eagle Lake, landed a lead role in Anton Chekov's *The Three Sisters* to be performed for the public July 12 at 7:30 p.m. and July 13 at 2 p.m. on the University of Texas campus in Austin. She was cast after rigorous auditions of high school students from across Texas. Her performance as Irina will culminate six weeks of intense drama study in the acclaimed U.T. summer program. (Persons interested in attending either performance of *The Three Sisters* should call Nerissa or Carolyn Briscoe at 234-2368.)

According to Sara, she's "learning lots of neat stuff!" Sara will serve as theatre aide at Rice High School this Fall. Thanks to the support of local Rotarians, Valerie Galvan will attend a two-week drama camp at Southwest Texas State University beginning July 14. The High School Drama Camp includes instruction by university professors each morning, technical workshops in the afternoons; and rehearsals for a major production each evening. Dates and times for this production which ends the SWT camp in late July will be announced. The Rotary Club is to be commended for their scholarship support



ANNOUNCING NEW ARRIVALS

Amber Selene Ramirez

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Ramirez Jr. of Eagle Lake announce the birth of their fourth child, a daughter, born June 26, 1996, at 8:03 a.m. at Rice District Community Hospital. Amber Selene weighed seven pounds, nine ounces and measured 20 inches at birth. The attending physician was Dr. Russell Thomas. She was welcomed home by Crystal, age 12; Jeremy, age 10; and Diamond, one year and eight months. Maternal grandparents are Mary Knesek of Columbus and the late Emil Knesek. Paternal grandparents are Mary Munoz and Alex Ramirez Sr. of Eagle Lake. Her great grandmother is Lola Ramirez of Pasadena. **Happy 23rd Birthday "Bingo"** Roy Jr. Love, Mom, Dad, "Twenty," "Mookey" & Jay, Peggy & Ashley

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