

# OBITUARIES

## Emma Kathryn Valigura Burris

November 24, 1902 - November 28, 1996

Emma Kathryn Valigura Burris, 94, of Edna passed away November 28, 1996. She was born on November 24, 1902, in Lavaca County to Frank and Mary Svrcek Valigura. Emma married Oney Earl Burris on November 17, 1947. She was a homemaker and a member of the Catholic Church. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; and her son, Charles Davenport; a sister, Agnes Lanik; two brothers, John and Anton Valigura; one grandson, two great grandsons and four half-brothers, Jim and Martin Valigura, Julius Pustejovsky and Charlie Dolezal.

Survivors include her daughters, Lucille Jacobs and Emma Charity Davenport both of Edna; seven grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; 13 great-great grandchildren. Funeral services were held on Saturday, November 30, at 3 p.m. at Slavik Funeral Chapel with Rev. Joe Wes Rubac officiating. Burial followed in the Memory Gardens of Edna. Her grandsons served as pallbearers. Arrangements were under the direction of Slavik Funeral Home, Edna. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

## Josephine Washington Dancy

August 22, 1908 - December 3, 1996

On December 3, 1996, our beloved mother was called to her eternal home in glory after several admittances into the Rice District Community Hospital. Josephine Washington Dancy was born August 22, 1908, to George Washington Jr. and Everlene Nichols. Josephine attended school in Altair. She joined church at an early age under the auspices of Rev. W.L. Gibbs, Pastor of South Point Baptist Church, Vox Populi. She was united in holy matrimony to Martin Dancy on March 14, 1924, under the pastorate of Rev. A.L. Aldridge. Unto this union, 12 children were born. She remained faithful there, until her departure from us.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and five children. She leaves to mourn her passing eight children, Freeman Dancy Sr., Lizzie Anderson and Bessie Mae Dancy of Vox Populi; Climon Dancy of Columbus, Maud Esther Hurd of Matthews, Josephine Bankston of Elm Grove, Roberta Middleton of San Antonio, and Marvin Dancy of Charleston, South Carolina, three sisters, Katherine Hewitt of Waco, Pricilla Evans of Cameron and Ethel Lee Stovall of Eagle Lake; a loving daughter-in-law, Jennifer of Charleston, S. Carolina; 20 grandchildren; 45 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, December 7, at 1 p.m. from South Point Baptist Church in Vox Populi with Rev. A.L. Aldridge officiating. Interment followed in the Williams Paradise Cemetery in Vox Populi. Arrangements were under the direction of Ben Davis Funeral Home in Columbus. Pallbearers were nephews and other relatives. Honorary pallbearers were Freeman Sr., Climon and Marvin Dancy and grandsons. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



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A survey reported in *Medical Marketing and Media* indicates that more than 40 percent of physicians had recommended OTC products for their patients in the past 12 months. A recent report in *American Health Line* describes a study of 29,000 patients in southern California. Physicians were asked by the sponsoring organization to substitute OTC products for prescription medicines when possible. Substitution of OTCs resulted in a reported savings of over \$15,000 during a six-month period.

More physicians are recommending OTCs today because more products are available. In 1995 the U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved the switching of six prescription drugs to OTC status. Medicines switched include ranitidine (Zantac 75), butoconazole (Femstat 3), famotidine (Pepcid AC), ibuprofen (Children's Motrin), cimetidine (Tagmet HB), and ketoprofen (Orudis KT and Actron). Ask us about OTC products that may be of benefit to you.

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## William E. 'Bill' Darilek

May 28, 1902 - December 7, 1996

William E. "Bill" Darilek, 94, of Columbus, passed away December 7, 1996, in the Columbus Community Hospital. He was born May 28, 1902, in Moulton to Emil and Josefa Zalman Darilek. William and Minnie Pundt were married on May 22, 1928. He was a retired registered pharmacist and had owned Columbus Drug Store beginning in 1946. He was a resident of Columbus for the past 50 years and a member of K of C Council #2971, Fourth Degree K.C. Assembly #1136, Columbus Noon Lions Club, Herman Sons Lodge of Columbus, S.P.J.S.T. and St. Anthony Catholic Church. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife on August 6, 1979; step-mother, Ludmilla Kubenka; brother, Vladimir E. Darilek; sister, Emily Pagel and half-sister, Lillian D. Klecka. Survivors include daughter and

## Carlos Gonzales

January 26, 1976 - December 1, 1996

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the tragic death of Carlos Gonzales. The world is not quite as nice a place to be today. Carlos Gonzales, 20, of Houston, passed away December 1, 1996. He was born January 26, 1976, to Guillermo and Mercedes Gonzales as their youngest child. Carlos lived most of his childhood years in Eagle Lake, later moving to Houston. A full scholarship student, he excelled at anything he set out to do, from his honor studies to his entrepreneurial endeavors. But his greatest accomplishment was the outstanding example he left us by his concern and loyalty to his family and friends. His goal was to graduate in 1997 from Northwood University in Cedar Hill, Texas. He attended St. Thomas High School for three years and graduated from Fort High School in 1994. He was a founder and co-owner of SkyRise Entertainment.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Augustin and Enedelia Villagomez, and paternal grandmother Martha Rodriguez. Survivors include his parents; his sister Alicia Gonzales, brother and sister-in-law, HPD Officer Guillermo Gonzales and wife Vivian, along with their daughter, Alyssa, his girlfriend Kimberly Allen and numerous relatives and friends. Relatives residing in Eagle Lake are Herberto and Niece Garza, Michael and Elizabeth Duarte, Andrew and Silvia Castaneda and Arturo and Maria E. Hernandez. Since it was Carlos' dream to set up a scholarship fund for promising Hispanic students, the family requests

that in lieu of usual remembrances, donations be made in memory of Carlos Gonzales to Houston Community College Southeast, Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 7849, Houston, TX 77270-7849; or dropped off at Taco Tony's Mexican Restaurant, located at Hwy. 90-A at Calhoun Road, or mail to P.O. Box 274, Eagle Lake, TX 77434. Wake services were held Tuesday, December 3, at 7:30 p.m. at Forest Park Lawndale Chapel. Funeral procession departed Forest Park Lawndale Chapel on Wednesday, December 4, at 9:30 a.m. for the 10 a.m. funeral mass at St. Francis Cabrini Catholic Church, Father Dennis Peterson and Deacon John Rooney officiated. Interment followed in Forest Park East Cemetery, in Webster. Arrangements were under the direction of Forest Park Lawndale. Serving as pallbearers were Aldo Elizondo, Michael Salazar, Jorge Hernandez, E.J. and R.T. Ramos and Arthur Rodriguez Jr. Honorary pallbearers were Luis Salazar, Ed Bazan, Brad Barber, Chris Ellis, Chad Fagen and Jay Valdez. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

## Bible Verse of the Week

"To be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace." — Romans 8:6

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## Edward L. 'Bo' Mooney

March 2, 1932 - December 5, 1996

Edward L. "Bo" Mooney, 64, of Emerson, Arkansas, passed away Thursday, December 5, 1996, in a Magnolia, Arkansas, hospital. He was born March 2, 1932, in Eagle Lake to Edward Robert and Violet Norwood Mooney. He was an operator for Tencoco Oil Co. for 31 years. He was preceded in death by his parents and a daughter, Nellie Marie Mooney. Survivors include his sons and daughters-in-law, Edward Robert and Shirley Mooney of Tyler, James Raleigh and Lucy Mooney of Parkers Chapel, Ark., and Frank Allan Mooney of Emerson, Ark.; daughters, Carla

## L.J. Schilling

January 16, 1913 - December 2, 1996

L.J. Schilling, 83, of Garwood, passed away December 2, 1996, in Toyah, Texas. He was born January 16, 1913, in Garwood to Edmund and Emilia Richter Schilling. L.J. and Edna Janek were married March 24, 1976. He was a retired rice farmer and rancher and was a lifetime resident of Garwood. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Past Board Member of Wharton County Electric Coop, Garwood Lions Club and Past Grand Knight of Nada KC Council 1961-62. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife (March 5, 1989), sisters, Evelyn Wied and Flora Blankenburg. Survivors include his brother-in-law, Eldin Wied of Garwood; nephews, Mark Wied of Garwood and Lynn Blankenburg of Alvin; nieces, Judy Engstrom of Garwood and Melba Clapp of El Campo; and several grand nieces and nephews. A Rosary was recited Thursday, December 5, at 7 p.m. at Henneke Funeral Home followed by a KC Rosary on Friday, December 6, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada. Funeral services were held Friday, December 6, at 10 a.m. from St. Mary's Catholic Church with Father Joe Koebel officiating. Burial followed in the St. Mary's Catholic Church Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus. Pallbearers were Brian and Kevin Blankenburg, Douglas Wied, Michael and Lee Higgins and Brad Engstrom. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

## Amalie 'Molly' Smidovec

June 25, 1925 - December 1, 1996

Amalie "Molly" Smidovec, 71, of Garwood, passed away December 1, 1996, in the Rice District Community Hospital in Eagle Lake. She was born June 25, 1925, in Frydek to Frank and Amalie Pavlicek Zapalac. Amalie and Jerry R. Smidovec were married on November 27, 1945. A housewife and mother, she had been a resident of Garwood for 30 years and was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband on May 6, 1995; sisters, Stephanie Chovanec and Martha Trojanowsky; brother, Ignace Zapalac; and her infant twin brother. Survivors include her daughters and sons-in-law, Dorothy and Dennis Orsak of Fayetteville, Elsie and Isadore Sedlar of La Grange, Bernice and Johnnie Kovnicka of Houston, Betty Bowans and Margie and Ross Ramos of Katy and Sheryl and Anthony Brown of Garwood; sons and daughters-in-law, Jerry R. and Audrey Smidovec Jr., Larry and Diane Smidovec, and Michael and Sue Smidovec of Garwood; sisters, Agnes Lamar, Augustina Hering and Albina Hammond of Sealy, Mary Bielec of Wallis, and Frances Lastovica of Pearland; a brother, Alvin Zapalac of Orchard; 21 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. A Rosary was held Wednesday, December 4, at 7 p.m. at Henneke Funeral Home. A second Rosary was recited at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, December 5, at St. Mary's. Funeral services were held Thursday, December 5, at 2 p.m. from St. Mary's Catholic Church with Father Joe Koebel officiating. Burial followed in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus. Serving as pallbearers were Mark Kovnicka, Bryan Orsak, Scott Sedlar and Robert, Joe and Jimmie Smidovec. Memorial contributions may be made to the Garwood Fire Department and EMS, St. Mary's Catholic Church or the charity of your choice. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

## Czechs

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Plans are now underway for the creation of the Texas Czech Heritage and Cultural Center, which will offer an interactive educational concept demonstrating the total immigration experience, lifestyle and traditions of the Czechs who primarily settled in the rural lands of Texas. It will also provide for the collection and preservation of artifacts, photographs, literature, research material and art, as well as providing for the promotion and study of the Czech language. TOCA and the Interim Board of the Texas Czech Heritage and Cultural Center are asking the approximate one million Texans of Czech ancestry to unite in their support of the development of the cultural center that will perpetuate their heritage into the future and leave a lasting legacy for their descendants. To aid the organization in the selection of an architect, anyone interested may present credentials and samples of previous designs and any vision for this project's development. Contact Retta Chandler, 221 Wildwood Drive, De Soto, TX 75115, 972-223-9361 for details. For information about TOCA or membership application, contact Mrs. Chandler.

Donation to the cultural center can be sent to Texas Czech Heritage and Cultural Center, PO Box 6, La Grange, Texas 78945-0006. Did You Know... There are at least 1,700 islands in the group known as the Thousand Islands in the St. Lawrence River.

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