

OBITUARIES

Esperanza 'Nancy' Flores — November 12, 1929 - April 10, 1997

Esperanza "Nancy" Flores, 67, of Eagle Lake, passed away Thursday, April 10, 1997, at 1:20 p.m. at her residence.

She was born November 12, 1929, in Gonzales to Marcos and Julia Padilla Amaro.

An Eagle Lake resident for most all of her life, she and Julian Flores were married August 11, 1945.

She was a member of the Roman Catholic Parish of the Nativity in Eagle Lake.

A devoted wife, mother, grandmother and sister, she will be missed by all.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Julian Flores Sr. on April 12, 1992.

Survivors include her daughters, Hortencia F. Guerrero of Houston and Oralia "Lali" Torres of Eagle Lake; sons and daughters-in-law, Julian and Dorothy Flores Jr. and Pat and Arthur Flores of Eagle Lake and Julian Flores III of Conroe; sisters, Alice Sosa and Mary Gomez of Houston and Margie Garcia of Lake Jackson; 10 grandchildren, Justin Flores, Josh Romo, Nancy Vasquez, Arthur Garrett Flores and Bruno Wayne Flores of Eagle Lake, Julie Alcantar of Rosenberg, Daniel Gonzales of Hondo, Lori Flores Patric of Katy, Amy Flores and Adrian Flores of Columbus; 10 great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and loved ones.

Vigil service was held at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 11, from the Chapel of Dulany Funeral Home of Eagle Lake, led by Rev. Eddie Winkler.

A Parish Rosary followed, led by Frances and Joe Posada.

Funeral services were held Saturday, April 12, at 3 p.m., from the Parish of the Nativity Our Lady of Guadalupe Sanctuary in Eagle Lake with Rev. Eddie Winkler officiating.

Musicians were Cynthia Sunderman and Patty Stephens, organist; Jose Posada, Carmel Muniz, Sylvia Contreras, Mercy Fling and Marcy Salinas, soloist.

Interment followed at Lakeside Cemetery in Eagle Lake.

Dulany Funeral Home of Eagle Lake was in charge of arrangements.

Serving as pallbearers were Joe Sosa, Rudy Gomez, Alejandro Rodriguez, Joe Garcia, Melvin Stancik and Louis Matthews.

Honorary pallbearer was Walter Lee Bauer.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Robert Charles 'Charlie' Morgan

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and currently owns and operates, the Hempstead Cleaners.

He was active in Church Memorial United Methodist of Eagle Lake and Eagle Lake's W. Cherry-M. Perry Post #108, American Legion.

A devoted husband, father, grandfather and friend, he will be long remembered and missed by all.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Daisy Crutchfield; and brothers, Clyde, Earl and Dan Morgan.

Survivors include his wife of Hempstead; daughters, Dianne Mixon and Marilyn Morgan of Houston; son, Bob Morgan of Seattle, Washington; two grandchildren, Julie and Alexandra of Houston; sister-in-law, Mrs. Lena Gus Crenwelge of Hempstead;

and a host of nieces, nephews and loved ones.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 15, at 3 p.m. from the Chapel of Dulany Funeral Home in Eagle Lake with the Rev. Robert Moore of St. Bartholomew Episcopal Church of Hempstead officiating.

Interment followed in the Masonic Cemetery in Eagle Lake.

The Flag Presentation was under the auspices of American Legion Post #108 represented by Fred R. Frnka.

Dulany Funeral Home of Eagle Lake was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were B.J. Williams, Steve and Tony Balas, Jim Milby, John Canaris and Dexter Anderson.

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Rice Medical Center News

The Rice Medical Center (RMC) in Eagle Lake recently scored 100% on two critical inspections; in the Laboratory and Radiology departments under the direct supervision of Mr. Joe Gonzales.

Gonzales has been with RMC as director of the laboratory for a period of six years. Recently, changes were made and the laboratory and radiology departments were combined with Gonzales being the director of both.

These combined departments will now be known as Diagnostic Services.

In Nov. 1996, JCAHO (Joint Commission on Accreditation of

Healthcare Organizations) made a services inspection of the laboratory, giving it 100% compliance for accreditation for another two years.

In order to obtain this accreditation, many hours of work is done keeping the laboratory in a condition conducive to high quality of care.

Proficiency testing has to be done on a monthly basis, in all departments of the laboratory, which includes chemistry, hematology, serology, blood banking, coagulation, bacteriology and toxicology.

Daily quality control is done and sent in for evaluation every month.

RMC now does 95% of all testing that is ordered. There are only a few tests which RMC does not do on the premises (mainly ones that are not usually ordered and not cost effective to do).

During the year, policy and procedure manuals have to be kept up-to-date for all testing.

Usually, JCAHO has one or two recommendations for the department to improve - but this year, they passed with flying colors which shows that RMC has state-of-the-art equipment and efficient and dedicated employees.

Another inspection, done in the radiology department, was the annual State and FDA inspection for mammography.

This division of radiology is under the supervision of Dawn Horndt, a State-Licensed Mammography Technologist who has been employed at RMC for three years. She was also the reason the department passed the inspection with 100% compliance. The mammography department at RMC cares about today's women's health.

Cat Scan is another modality offered at RMC. The hospital shares ownership of a Cat Scan Mobile Unit with Columbus Hospital.

RMC has a staff of two qualified technologists who are able to do CT Scans: Joe Lee Perez and Dawn Horndt.

Dr. Preston Copeland has been our staff radiologist for over 15 years.

The department recently acquired the capabilities that allow X-Ray films to be "faxed" to other radiologist for immediate reports.

MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging) is an added service that began in Dec. 1996. MRI is offered from 7 a.m. to 12 noon every Saturday.

Another diagnostic tool used at RMC is ultrasound.

Ultrasound is a widely preferred test which uses sound waves to identify problems in different areas of the body.

Steven Teeple is our Certified Ultrasound Tech who offers his services every morning, except Tuesday, when he is here in the afternoon.

Steve is "on call" for stat services 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The Diagnostic Imaging Center at RMC is staffed by capable caring individuals interested in the best for their patients and community.

Laboratory, Calandra McAfee (phlebotomist); Michael Mota (staff tech); Barbara Pidgeon (staff tech); Joe L. Gonzales (general supervisor/director); Radiology, Marlene A. Castleman (staff tech and receptionist); Dawn Horndt (staff tech, CT, RT, MAMO); Joe Lee Perez, (chief staff tech, CT, RT); Steve Teeple (ultrasound tech).

RMC is also certified as a Basic Trauma Center, with all the knowledge, personnel and equipment.

RMC stands out as an excellent hospital, not only in Eagle Lake, but county-wide.

We even have patients that come here from the Houston area as well as the surrounding areas.



Pictured above are, from left, Dawn Horndt, RT, R, M; Joe Lee Perez, RT, R; and Marlene A. Castleman, staff tech and receptionist.



Laboratory personnel at RMC pictured above are, from left, Joe L. Gonzales, MT (AMT); Michael A. Mota MLT (ASCP); and Calandra McAfee, phlebotomist.

NIGHTINGALE'S CORNER

By Jan Hargraves RN/MSN Family Nurse Practitioner-C

Stress Urinary Incontinence

There's a health problem that most women will not discuss with anyone, even their healthcare provider. This is the development of "stress urinary incontinence".

This is the aggravating problem of losing urine whenever a woman

coughs, sneezes, exercises, or does any type of straining activity.

Most women feel that as they have children and become older, this is a natural part of being a woman. **This is not true!!**

One in six American women have some form of SUI. \$18 billion was spent on all forms of adult diaper products last year alone.

Instead of treating the symptom by wearing pads and avoiding activities, a woman should seek diagnosis of the type of incontinence she may be experiencing. There is stress incontinence, urge incontinence and neurogenic incontinence. A woman can experience more than one type at the same time.

After being diagnosed as to the type of incontinence she is experiencing, she can then start treatment which may include special exercises, bio-feedback treatments, medication and/or special appliances.

She may use a combination of treatments to gain continence.

Don't allow a very treatable condition to change your lifestyle; seek care and enjoy your life again.

"Coffee, Continence, and Chat" is a free, confidential, seminar which will be offered Wednesday, April 23, at the Sealy Medical Clinic, from 9 a.m. to noon, and the Eagle Lake Medical Clinic from 2 to 5 p.m.

Please call for reservations: Sealy Clinic, 409-885-3370; or Eagle Lake Clinic, 409-234-2066.

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SEALY ASSEMBLY OF GOD: 1140 Meyer St., Sealy; Warren Richardson, Pastor.

THE DAY OF PENTECOST APOSTOLIC REVIVAL: FM 102 S, Matthews, 4 p.m. (at Mt. Zion). Rev. R.L. Carter.

EAST BERNARD FIRST BAPTIST: Rev. Clifford Roser.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST: Sheridan, Texas.

NEW LIFE FELLOWSHIP: Hwy. 90A, Sheridan; Del Sanford, Pastor; 234-3276.

CHRIST OUR REDEEMER - Charismatic: 478-7534, 478-6512, Jerry C. McKinney, Pastor.

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH: East Bernard.

PARISH OF THE NATIVITY: Our Lady of Guadalupe Sanctuary: Guadalupe Terrace Addition; 7 a.m. (Español); 11 a.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help Sanctuary: 310 N. Stevenson; 9 a.m. Father Eddie Winkler.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH: Box 97, Nada, 758-3218. Rev. Msgr. Victor G. Schmidtzy, Pastor.

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN: 106 E. State St., Eagle Lake.

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