

# OBITUARIES

## L.L. 'Lonnie' Brisco

December 28, 1921 - September 18, 1997

L.L. "Lonnie" Brisco, 75, of Eagle Lake passed away September 18, 1997, at Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake.

He was born December 28, 1921, to Albert Herbert and Mary Josephine Williams Brisco in Sheridan.

Lonnie was a lifetime resident of Eagle Lake and a self-employed construction contractor and rancher.

He was a member of Grace Lutheran Church in Eagle Lake, Rice Area Memorial VFW #8783 and a veteran of the U.S. Army in World War II.

Lonnie was preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Evelyn L. "Sissy" Dungen Brisco; a son, Michael Wayne Brisco; and sisters, Ava Lea Dieterich, Margie Rooks and Verna Brisco; and a brother, Monroe Brisco.

Survivors include his wife and daughter Pat and Judy Brisco of Houston; son and daughter-in-law, Darius and Doris Jean Brisco of Eagle Lake; a grandson, Brendon Casey "Buck" Brisco of Eagle Lake; and sisters, Barbara Hall of New Summerfield, Gertrude Sizemore of Morgan City, Louisiana and Eva Lois Niemeyer of Columbus.

Funeral services were held Saturday, September 20, at 2 p.m. from Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus with Rev. Robert Schlott officiating.

Burial followed in Odd Fellows Rest Cemetery. Henneke Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were T.J. and Tim Luedecke, Larry Peikert, Frank Brisco, Mike Leanos and Nicholas Kee. Honorary pallbearers were Bill Green, Preston Hemphill, Louis Mascheck and Billy H. Hall.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

## Jerry Wayne Capps

November 14, 1948 - September 24, 1997

Jerry Wayne Capps, 48, of Eagle Lake, passed away Wednesday, September 24, 1997, at Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake.

He was born November 14, 1948, in San Antonio to Wayne L. and Wilene Brown Capps.

Jerry was a graduate of Devine High School Class of '67 and Southwest Texas University, San Marcos. He was an employee of Exxon in Houston for the past 27 years, currently serving as Team Leader in Production & Information Management.

He and Lucy Payne were married July 2, 1985, in Houston and have resided in Eagle Lake for the past two years.

A faithful employee, devoted husband, father, son, brother and friend, he will be forever remembered and missed by all.

Survivors include his wife, Lucy Payne Capps, and daughter, Ann Kathryn Capps, of Eagle Lake; son,

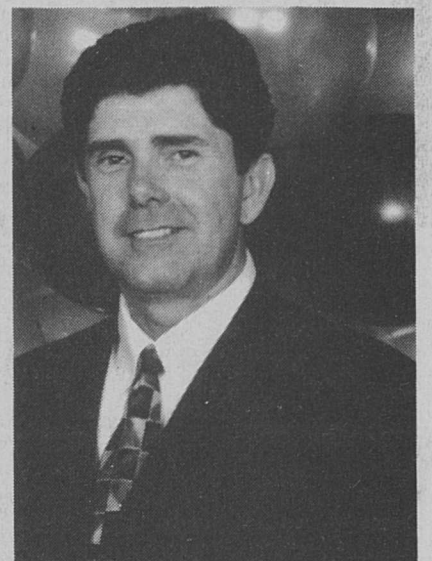
Jason Wayne Capps, and step-son, Dennis Johnson, of Houston; parents, Wayne L. and Wilene Capps of Devine; brother, Jimmy Capps of Crosby; aunt, Vonna Banks of Devine; mother-in-law, Johanna Balas Payne of Houston; father-in-law, Dr. Arnold P. Payne and wife, Beverly, of Nacogdoches; sisters-in-law, Johanna Payne Jones of New Hampshire, Mary Jane Payne Schumacher and husband, Michael, of Houston; brother-in-law, Joe Paul Payne and wife, Susan, of Houston; numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and a host of loved ones.

A vigil service was held at 7 p.m., on Friday, September 26, from the Chapel of Dulany Funeral Home in Eagle Lake.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, September 27, from the Parish of the Nativity Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Sanctuary in Eagle Lake with Rev. Charles Bush, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Devine and Rev. Father Eddie Winkler, Pastor of the Eagle Lake Roman Catholic Parish of the Nativity, officiating.

Entombment followed in Lakeside Cemetery Mausoleum in Eagle Lake.

Dulany Funeral Home of Eagle



Lake was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Randy Pace, Gar Ayala, Randall J. Parrott, Michael R. Bennett, George Shattuck, Mike Gould, Ernie Rodgers and John Coachman.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 468, Devine, Texas 78016; or the Parish of the Nativity, 310 N. Stevenson, Eagle Lake, Texas 77434.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

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## Foot Facts

By Dr. Eric R. Tepper, Podiatrist

### ARCH ENEMY OF BACK PAIN

Do your feet hurt during the day, even when you're wearing comfortable shoes? Do your feet and legs tire quickly when walking or standing? Do you frequently experience pain in the lower back if you have to spend any time at all on your feet? A "yes" answer to any of the above could be a sign of the foot's weakening longitudinal arches - or "fallen arches". Causes of this condition may include constant standing, ill-fitting shoes, and/or obesity, which all have the effect of battering the ligaments that hold the foot together. When the ligaments break down, the arches can give way, and the resulting imbalance can translate into tension in the lower back.

To determine the best treatment for fallen arches (as well as other foot conditions), a podiatrist will examine the foot, perform a gait analysis, and look at the patient's medical history, past medical problems, length and frequency of symptoms, types of current activities, and pain and problems in other parts of the body. We offer comprehensive care for all foot problems here at Rice Medical Center for feet of all shapes, sizes, and ages. I am there every Tuesday; call 234-5571.

P.S. Treatment options for fallen arches include prescription orthotics (footwear inserts) and certain foot exercises.



## Geneva Brown

December 11, 1902 - September 20, 1997

Geneva Brown entered into rest September 20, 1997, at Quentin R. Mease Hospital in Houston.

She was born December 11, 1902, in Eagle Lake to Alex and Elvira Spates.

Geneva received her education from Eagle Lake Schools, accepted Christ at an early age and was baptized at Friendship Baptist Church.

On April 24, 1921, she was joined in Holy Matrimony to Henry D. Brown. To this union, two children were born, Dorothy and Henry "Buster".

After her dedicated life to Christ, she was a faithful worker in the auxiliaries of the church. She served as Superintendent of Sunday School for years, worked in the choir, Mission 1 and 2, BYPU, Star Light Band and taught Vacation Bible School.

Geneva was also active and a faith-

ful worker in Southwest Central District Association, State and National Convention.

She served as Deputy Grand Matron of Heroine of Jericho Prince of Peace Certificate #42 for many years, was president of PTA and volunteered several years with the Pink Ladies at Eagle Lake Community Hospital.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her son.

She leaves to cherish her memory her beloved husband, Deacon Henry D. Brown Sr. of Eagle Lake; one devoted and beloved daughter and son-in-law, Dorothy and Ira Christal of Houston; six grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, September 27, at 1 p.m. at the Friendship Baptist Church in Eagle Lake with Rev. Earl Shorter Jr., Pastor, officiating.

Burial followed in Eagle Lake Community Cemetery.

Ben Davis Funeral Home, Columbus, was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Ira Christal, A.J. Williams, Richard Spates Jr., Eddie Spates Jr., Claras Brown Sr. and PFC Jessie Bishop.

Honorary pallbearers were Timothy Lott, Ira Jones, Allen Lott, Claras Jr., Henry D. III, Desmond and, Aaron Brown and Alex J. Williams Sr.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

## Gerritt Van Land

September 30, 1911 - September 23, 1997

Gerritt Van Land, 85, of Houston, passed away at 2:25 p.m. Tuesday, September 23, 1997, at St. Luke's Hospital in Houston following a brief illness.

He was born September 30, 1911, in Pine Bluff, Arkansas, to Dr. Levin K. and Frankie Van Valkenburg Land.

Gerritt was a graduate of Pine Bluff High School and a veteran of World War II, serving from 1942 to 1945 in the Atlantic Theater.

He had been a Houston resident since 1946.

In 1950, he married Leona Glueck in Eagle Lake.

He served as the credit manager for General Electric of Houston for many years prior to retirement.

Following retirement and until recently, he continued working a career as an independent realtor in Houston.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Frances Land Leach; and a brother, Cooper Land Sr.

Survivors include his devoted wife of 47 years, Leona "Susie" Glueck Land of Houston; nephew, Cooper B. Land and wife, Solveig, of Bismark, N. Dakota; great nephew, Kristoffer Land of San Diego, Calif.; great nieces, Signe Levine of Minneapolis and Elizabeth Land of New York City.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Friday, September 26, from the First Presbyterian Church of Houston with Rev. Asa Hunt officiating.

Graveside services and interment followed at 1:30 p.m. Friday from Lakeside Cemetery, Eagle Lake.

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

The family has asked memorial contributions be directed to the First Presbyterian Church, 5300 Main, Houston, Texas 77004; or to your favorite charity.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

## F.W. 'Duke' Leierer

November 19, 1911 - September 30, 1997

F.W. "Duke" Leierer, 85, of Eagle Lake, passed away Tuesday, September 30, 1997, at 1:55 a.m. at Heritage

House Nursing Home in Eagle Lake. He was born November 19, 1911, in Ulysses, Kansas, to Charles Ezra and Cora Miller Leierer.

Following high school, he attended business college in Kansas City and served honorably in the Pacific during World War II with the U.S. Navy Sea Bees.

He had a successful career in construction for most of his life, specializing in home remodeling and repair.

Since 1972, he had resided in Fulton Beach, Texas, then moved to Eagle Lake in 1985.

He married Orlean Brod Williams on June 29, 1985, at Grace Lutheran Church in Eagle Lake.

Mr. Leierer had been a member of Paramount Christian Church of Independence, Missouri, and had faithfully attended Grace Lutheran Church in Eagle Lake.

Survivors include his wife, Orlean Brod Williams Leierer of Eagle Lake; brother, Wayne Leierer and wife, Virginia, of Ulysses, Kansas; step-children, Harold Loyd and Elda Williams and Billy Joe and Jean Williams of Eagle Lake; step-grandchildren, Jerry Williams and wife, D'Ann, of Pflugerville and Scott Williams and wife, Amy, of Irving; step-great grandchildren, Jason and Brett Williams of Pflugerville; a number of nieces, nephews, other relatives and loved ones.

Funeral services are scheduled for 10 a.m. Friday, October 3, from the Chapel of Dulany Funeral Home in Eagle Lake with Rev. Robert Schlott of Grace Lutheran Church officiating.

Interment will follow in Lakeside Cemetery, Eagle Lake.

Pallbearers scheduled are Henry Kretzschmar Sr., Louis Schorlemmer, Michael Hruzek, Clarence Coldewey, Thurston Webb and Bill Appelt.

After 9 a.m. Thursday, October 2, friends may call at the funeral home.

The family requests memorials be made to Grace Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 875, Eagle Lake, Texas 77434.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

## 100th Anniversary to be celebrated by Nada parish

On Sunday, Oct. 5, 1997, the parishioners of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church will celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the first church built and dedicated in Nada, Texas.

The Most Rev. David E. Fellhauer, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Victoria, will celebrate the 9:30 a.m. mass with the Most Rev. Bernard F. Popp, D.D. retired Bishop of the Archdiocese of San Antonio and a Nada native vocation, and Rev. Joseph A. Koebel, pastor, concelebrating.

A covered dish lunch will follow at the Nada Community Center.

There will be a program on the history of the Nada parish and historical pictures will be on display.

In 1982, St. Mary's Parish, as it is commonly referred, marked the 100th anniversary of the First Mass Celebra-

tion in Nada.

Beginning in 1882, the few Catholic families who had founded homesteads in the Vox Populi-Nada area had their spiritual needs tended to by the Rev. Victor Gury, pastor of St. Peter and Paul's of Frelsburg. He would journey to Nada to say mass in the homes of these early settlers.

In 1889, J. Wm. Schoellmann and Maria Labay each gave 25 acres of land for a church and school to be built in Nada. In that year, a public school for 18 children was built on the parish grounds where Czech, German and English was taught.

On Nov. 6, 1896, Rt. Rev. Bishop J.A. Forest, Bishop of San Antonio, came to Nada to administer Confirmation to 130 persons.

The first visit of Bishop Forest to (See Anniversary, Page 7)

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LATIN-AMERICAN ASSEMBLY OF GOD (Belen de Judea Mission): 1000 East E, Eagle Lake; Ruth Olvera, Pastor.

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 Rorer.

FIRST BAPTIST: N. Lake at E. Prairie, Eagle Lake. Rev. David Mann.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST: 405 S. Lake, Eagle Lake; Rev. Earl Shorter, Jr., Pastor, 234-5795.

IGLESIA BAPTISTA GETSEMANI: 901 B Street, Eagle Lake; Rev. Mario Vasquez.

GREATER MT. OLIVE BAPTIST: Rev. R. Kiser, Pastor, 705 Lake, Eagle Lake, 234-3545.

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ROCK ISLAND BAPTIST: Bob Allison, Pastor.

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WHITE CLOUD BAPTIST CHURCH: 202 Old Altair Rd., Eagle Lake; Rev. Obie Rhodes; 234-3800.

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; Our Lady of Perpetual Help Sanctuary: 310 N. Stevenson; 7 a.m. (Español), 9 a.m., 11 a.m., Father Eddie Winkler.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH: Box 97, Nada, 758-3218. Rev. Joseph Koebel, Pastor.

CHRIST EPISCOPAL: 306 E. Stockbridge.

EAGLE LAKE GOSPEL MISSION: Rev. Emil Burger.

GRACE LUTHERAN: 408 N. Stevenson, 234-3381; Rev. Robert E. Schlott.

LEHRER MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST: Garwood, Texas. Rev. Barry Bauerschlag, Pastor.

LISSIE UNITED METHODIST: Sandra Kimbrow, Pastor; 234-2112; Lissie, Texas.

ROCK ISLAND METHODIST: Ken Sellers Jr., Lay-Pastor.

UNITED METHODIST: Barry Bauerschlag, Pastor. 200 W. Prairie; Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Worship 10:45 a.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN: 106 E. State Street, Eagle Lake; 234-3368.

VINE OF THE LORD: Paul Aguilar, Interim.

FRIENDSHIP A.G.: 501 Wallace, East Bernard. Fred Chambers, Pastor.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS: 600 West St., Sealy; Marshall Crosby, Branch Pres.

CHURCH OF CHRIST: 815 Milam, Columbus. Roy V. Palmer, Minister.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS: 200 N. Lake, Eagle Lake, 234-5805; Miguel H. Arellano, Branch President.

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Kirksey, new Eagle Lake High School faculty members. Kirksey and Wilcox were roommates their last two years at Southwestern University.