

OBITUARIES

LeRoy F. Kocurek

October 29, 1930 - June 25, 1999

Josie Konvicka

March 1, 1926 - June 4, 1999

LeRoy F. Kocurek, 68, of Garwood, passed away on Friday, June 25, 1999 at his residence in Garwood.

He was born on October 29, 1930 in Alleyton to Anton Frank and Marie Shimek Kocurek.

LeRoy was a rice farmer employed by Tony Paul Pinchback, a member of St. Mary's Catholic

Church and a veteran of the U.S. Army.

Survivors include his daughter, Molly Weber of Mathis; son, LeRoy Coleman of Edinburg; longtime companion, Lorena Lyons of El Campo; sister, Elsie Norlin of Dollar Bay, Michigan; brothers, Milton, Leon and Lester Kocurek all of Garwood;

grandchildren, Evette and Walker Best; great-granddaughter, Amber Best; God-children Christina and Chastity Brown.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, June 30, 1999 at 10 a.m. from Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus with Father Joe Koebel officiating. Burial followed in Odd Fellows Rest Cemetery in Columbus. Arrangements were under the direction of Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus.

Pallbearers were Harry and Greg Lobpries, John Kocurek, Larry Smidovec, John Baca and Jerry Zbrank.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Josie Konvicka, 73 years, three months and three days, passed away on Friday, June 4, 1999.

Born in Dubina on March 1, 1926, she was the daughter of Ludvik and Katherine Kaluza Anders.

She attended St. Edward's School in Dubina.

On August 11, 1947, she married George C. Konvicka at Sts. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church.

A lifelong resident of Dubina, she was a member of Sts. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church and retired at the time of her death.

"Josie loved spending time with her children and grandchildren," according to her family. "She took pride

in all of their activities, going to 4-H and FFA functions, baseball games or whatever they might have been involved in at the time. Her family always came first. She loved baking; her family will always remember the delicious sugar cookies and poppyseed rolls that she always seemed to have on hand."

She spent a great deal of time outdoors, tending to her beautiful garden and flowers. She loved canning her homegrown fruits and vegetables and sharing them with family and friends.

Mrs. Konvicka was very active in her church, performing numerous volunteer services at Sts. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church in Dubina.

"Her pleasures were simple: Spending time with her family, her devotion to her faith, and an occasional night of bingo!" according to her family.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; three brothers, Louis, Ray and George Anders; sister, Rosie Blaschke; brother-in-law, Edwin Demel; a sister-in-law; and two brothers-in-law.

Survivors include three daughters and two sons-in-laws, Linda and Daniel Vacek of Schulenburg, Doris and Darius Brisco of Eagle Lake and Barbara Konvicka of Houston; two sons and daughters-in-law, Allen and JoAnn Konvicka of Schulenburg and

Thomas and Rhonda Konvicka of Katy; a sister, Mrs. Viola Demel of Schulenburg; two sisters-in-law, Mrs. Tillie Anders of Houston and Mrs. Elsie Anders of Crowley; a brother and sister-in-law, Al and Evelyn Anders of Weimar; a brother-in-law, Leo Blaschke of Hallettsville; six grandchildren, Lance Vacek, Allen Ray Konvicka, Casey Brisco, Heather Konvicka, Megan Konvicka and Vicki Vacek and her fiancé, Keith Hudec.

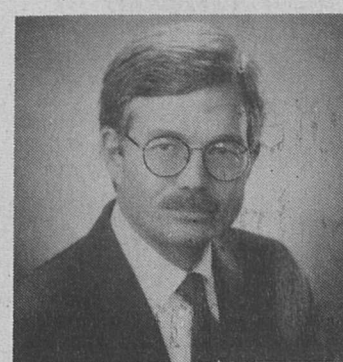
The Rev. Bily led the rosary on Tuesday, June 8, at 7 p.m. at Schwenke-Baumgarten Funeral Home.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, June 9, 1999 at 10 a.m. from Sts. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church in Dubina with Rev. John C. Bily officiating. Interment followed in Dubina Catholic Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Schwenke-Baumgarten Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Marcus and Johnnie Demel, Milton Blaschke, Anthony Conzentino, Wilbert and George Anders Jr. all nephews.

Honorary pallbearers were Vickie and Lance Vacek, Allen Ray Konvicka, Casey Brisco, Heather and Megan Konvicka and Keith Hudec.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



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James B. 'J.B.' Ross

July 17, 1918 - June 25, 1999

James B. "J.B." Ross, 80, of Sheridan, passed away on Friday, June 25, 1999.

He was born on July 17, 1918 in San Antonio.

J.B. was a member of the Zion Lutheran Church in Sublime and the Sheridan Lions Club. He was a veteran of World War II.

He and Jewelene Levine Carroll were married on September 28, 1940 in Houston.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, one son, Larry Ross; and his step-father, William C. Benner.

Survivors include his daughter, Diane Swearingin of Magnolia; sons, Bill C. and Jim A. Ross both of Sheridan; 11 grandchildren; and five great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday, June 27, at 3 p.m. from Zion Lutheran Church in Sublime with Rev. Herb Beyer officiating.

Burial followed in Geiger Cemetery in Sublime.

Arrangements were under the di-

Did You Know...

The highest apartment residence is the 92nd floor of the 100-story John Hancock Center in Chicago.

rection of Kubena Funeral Home in Hallettsville.

Pallbearers were Douglas J. Leopold, Mark, Larry and B.J. Ross, and Paul and Jeremy Swearingin.

Honorary pallbearers were Dustin and Brent Swearingin, Joey and Ben Leopold and Jesse Ross.

The family request that memorials be made to Zion Lutheran Church in Sublime or Sheridan Emergency Service.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



ANNOUNCING NEW ARRIVALS



Ivy Mae Beasley

Brent and Heidi Beasley of Eagle Lake, are proud to announce the birth of their second child, a daughter, born June 2, 1999 at 1:53 p.m. at Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake.

Ivy Mae weighed seven pounds and was 19-1/4 inches long at birth.

Ivy is welcomed home by a three-year-old brother, Sam.

Maternal grandparents are Wolf

and Trudy Bellingrodt of Scottsdale, Arizona.

Paternal grandparents are James and Helen Beasley of Dallas.

Great-grandparents are Minnie Mae Webb of Dallas; Gady Beasley of Seven Points; Emil Zaplatash of Scottsdale, Arizona; and Cornelia Bellingrodt of Scawell, Germany.

Darrell

Braden Faas

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Faas of Glen Flora, announce the birth of their second child, a son, named Darrell Braden.

The baby was born June 4, 1999, at Gulf Coast Medical Center in Wharton weighing eight pounds, six ounces.

Braden was welcomed home by his four-year-old sister, Briana.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hunt of Garwood. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Faas of El Campo.

The mother is the former Renee Hunt of Garwood.

Sierra Nicole

Mancias

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Mancias of Eagle Lake, are pleased to announce the birth of their second child, a daughter, born June 18, 1999 at 6:32 p.m. at Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake.

Sierra Nicole weighed seven pounds, nine ounces and measured 20 1/2 inches long at birth.

She was welcomed home by her brother, Clifton Mancias II, age 2 1/2.

Maternal grandparents are Emma Hernandez and Jose Rodriguez of Eagle Lake. Paternal grandparents are Clifton Mancias Sr. and Diane Mancias of El Campo.

Great-grandparents are Mr. Atilano Cardenas Sr. of Eagle Lake and the late Maria De La Luz Cardenas; and Mrs. Emma Mancias of Garwood and the late Teodoro Mancias.

The mother is the former Rhonda Rodriguez.

Justin Tate Marshall

Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Tate Marshall of San Antonio are proud to announce the birth of their first child, a son, Justin Tate Marshall.

Justin was born at Methodist Hospital in San Antonio on June 9, 1999.

He weighed eight pounds and was 20 inches long at birth.

Proud grandparents are Clifton and Ruth Ann Marshall of Giddings, Texas and Emmette and Laura DuBose of Devine, Texas.

Great-grandparents are Mrs. H.E. Tate and Mr. and Mrs. Roy T. Marshall all of Eagle Lake.

Foot Facts

By Dr. Eric R. Tepper, Podiatrist

ALBERT'S DISEASE

Albert's Disease is an inflammation of the bursa (fluid-filled sac) that sits in front of the spot where the Achilles tendon attaches to the heel bone. The Achilles tendon connects the calf muscle to the heel. Any condition that puts stress on this tendon (e.g., rheumatoid arthritis or stiff shoes) can cause Albert's Disease. A person with Albert's Disease will feel swelling and warmth at the back of the heel. To help reduce pain and inflammation, apply warm or cool compresses to the area. Taking aspirin or ibuprofen and keeping pressure off the area can also help the inflammation subside. If pain persists, a doctor may inject the inflamed bursa with a corticosteroid to relieve symptoms.

Early detection and correction of a foot problem like Albert's Disease offer patients the best access to complete health. Left untreated, bursitis and other foot problems can immobilize a person and discourage regular activity. We want to return you to - and keep you in - good health. Improve your lifestyle by calling us at 234-5571, at Rice Medical Center, for a Tuesday appointment. There is no good reason to keep on suffering from foot pain, not when experienced, compassionate care is available.

P.S. The human body has more than 150 bursae to help cushion the movement between the bones, tendons, and muscles near the joints. The most common site of bursitis is the shoulder.

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