

OBITUARY

Roger J. Meyer

January 2, 1923 - December 18, 1999

Roger J. Meyer, 76, of Columbus, passed away December 18, 1999 in Houston.

He was born January 2, 1923 in Lone Oak to Adolph and Antonie Gross Meyer.

Roger and Evelyn Martinek were married August 17, 1959 in Weimar.

He was a retired dragline operator and a member of Trinity Lutheran

Church of Frelsburg.

Meyer was preceded in death by his parents and an infant son, Kirby.

Survivors include his devoted wife of 40 years, Evelyn of Columbus; son and daughter-in-law, Lynn and

Jane Meyer of Houston; step-sons and their wives, Jim and Kathy Bertsch of

Schulenburg and Steven and Pam Bertsch of Houston; two grandchil-

dren; five step-grandchildren; and four step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, December 21, at 2 p.m. from Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus with Rev. Bill Mosley officiating.

Interment followed at Trinity Lutheran Cemetery in Frelsburg.

Henneke Funeral Home of Columbus was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Gene Canik, Steven Markwardt, George Popp, Marvin Becker, Larry Koronka, Lou Cordes, Glen Ehlers and Leonard Wostarek.

Honorary pallbearers were Floyd Green, Elroy and Clemens Venghaus and all present and past employees of Fordyce Gravel Co.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Tienen los angeles algo que decirnos en Navidad?

By Hermano Julio Sosa, Iglesia Esperanza Viva-Living Hope Church

La repuesta seguramente es SI. Atravez de toda la historia Biblica nos damos cuenta que los angeles fueron usados por Dios para traer un mensaje de importancia a la humanidad y a los hombres y mujeres escogidos por Dios.

En el tiempo de nacimiento de nuestro Senor Jesucristo vemos en la Palabra de Dios una visitacion especial de angeles. Un angel se le aparecio a Zacarias para darle la buena nueva de que habia a ser padre de Juan el Bautista. En angel Gabriel hablo a Maria de que seria la Madre del Mesias prometido Salvador de la Humanidad. Un angel hablo a Jose en sueños y le dijo que no abandonara a su esposa. Angeles descendieron a Belen y hablaron a los pastores de los rabinos dandoles las Buenas Nuevas del nacimiento de nuestro Salvador, etc.

TENDRAN LOS ANGELES ALGO QUE DECIRNOS A NO-

SOTROS EN ESTA NAVIDAD? Claro y el mensaje que tienen que decirnos es el mismo de hace dos mil años. Un mensaje de Buenas Nuevas, de animo, de alegría y de bienaventuranza. ESCUCHALO.

En primer lugar en angel dijo a Zacarias, NO TEMAS. (Lucas 1:13) En estos dias en que el temor y el panico se han apoderado de nuestra sociedad el mensaje de los angeles es Pertinente. No temas es el mensaje de Dios para ti. No tengas temor Yo estoy contigo. Dios no quiere que vivas bajo las garras del Temor. No temas al nuevo Milenio. No temas a la obscuridad. No temas a lo desconocido. No temas a la enfermedad. No temas al futuro. Dios quiere que tu seas libre del temor.

El perfecto amor echa fuera el Temor. Jehova es mi luz y mi Salvacion, de quien temere? Jehova es la fortaleza de mi vida, de quien he de atemorizarme? Enfrentemos este nuevo Milenio sin temor. Enfrentemos este Nuevo Milenio con la seguridad de tener a Cristo en nuestro Corazon y de saber que El siempre estara con nosotros.

Quando el angel se le aparecio a Maria le dijo estas palabras: 'Salve muy favorecida, EL SENOR ES CONTIGO'. Y El Senor esta con nosotros tambien. Esta es una verdad tan maravillosa que todos necesitamos saber. Jesucristo antes de irse nos

entrego su ultima promesa y nos dijo: YO ESTOY CON VOSOTROS (Mateo 28:20). Tu no estas solo, tu no estas sola, hay alguien que siempre cuidara de ti. El Senor esta contigo como un poderoso gigante. Cuando parece que todos nos han abandonado alli esta El Senor. —En el monte o en valle El estara contigo— en la salud o la enfermedad alli estara, en la escasez o en la abundancia siempre te sostendra. Estas lejos de tu familia? No tienes a nadie en quien confiar? Murio un ser querido? Estas atravezando por una prueba muy dificil? No vendran tus hijos en esta Navidad? No tienes trabajo y estas pasando momentos muy dificiles? Yo te digo, los angeles te dicen, pero sobre todo Dios te dice: NO TEMAS PORQUE YO ESTOY CONTIGO, NO DESMAYES PORQUE YO SOY TU DIOS QUE ESFUERZO Y SIEMPRE TE AYUDARE, SIEMPRE TE SOSTENDRE CON LA DIESTRA DE MI JUSTICIA. Isaías 41:10.

Que maravilla el mensaje de los angeles es apropiado para todas las Navidades y para todas las ocasiones de la vida. Por ultimo quiero compartir contigo el mensaje de los angeles a los pastores de Belen; 'GLORIA A DIOS EN LAS ALTURAS Y EN LA TIERRA PAZ A LOS HOMBRES DE BUENA VOLUNTAD'.

Las palabras que mas me llaman la atencion son: Los hombres de Buena Voluntad. Eres tu un hombre o una mujer de buena voluntad? La Buena Voluntad puede cambiar las cosas. Un poco de Buena Voluntad puede cambiar tu matrimonio. Una pizca de Buena Voluntad puede cambiar nuestra relacion con los demas. La Buena Voluntad cambia nuestra comunidad. La Buena Voluntad puede cambiar nuestra nacion inclusive el Mundo. Procura en esta Navidad compartir los regalos, esfuertate en esta Navidad para decorar tu casa, no te olvides de ir a la Iglesia (espero que no vayas a la Iglesia solo en Navidad). Pero sobre todas las cosas no te olvides de ser un hombre y una mujer de Buena Voluntad. El mundo necesita con urgencia hombres y mujeres de Buena Voluntad. No te has puesto a pensar porque Cristo Nacio, porque Murio y Resucito? Porque Dios tiene Buena Voluntad para con todos los hombres. Su Buena Voluntad nos ha alcanzado y transformado. Amen.

FELIZ NAVIDAD Y PROSPERO AÑO NUEVO. Espera... No te olvides de los angeles...

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grades were Sharon Sims, first; Vivian Sosa, second; and Oliver Pettus, third...

Dec. 6, 1951

Christmas lights go up to herald the opening of the 1951 holiday season in this community. Lloyd Spalinger is chairman of the C. of C. which is sponsoring the decorations...

John T. Reed, prominent East Bernard farmer and rancher, passed away...

One man was killed in an accident in fog and rain on Highway 90A...

Highway Dept. recommends stop signs at intersections of Main and McCarty and at the bank corner and a flashing warning light at the turn on McCarty to cross the railroad tracks...

Eagle Lake Rotarians track up three 100% meetings in a contest with Columbus Rotary Club...

T&NO Railroad moved into a new depot and freight warehouse. The old one across Commerce St. is being torn down...

A.H. Dipple is re-elected fire chief of Eagle Lake fire department and Bill Blair is the new mascot...

R.E. Maze, former Rock Island postmaster, died of a heart attack...

Lee M. Cearnal rites held here... Miss Nell Young is heading an appeal for items for the needy of the community...

Summer-like weather spurs early Christmas shoppers...

USDA announced no allotments or quotas on 1952 rice crop but the market continued to be dull...

Coach Henry Frnka of New Orleans, La., spent several days with his parents, the Ed R. Frnkas in Garwood...

Sgt. Albert Arnold returned to Fort Lawton, Wash., after 30-day furlough in Garwood...

James Dale Campbell celebrated his 3rd birthday...

Sunshine Class meets with Mrs. A.E. Gleghorn...

Brotherhood under the direction of L.E. Henry, president, gave the First Baptist Church a facelift...

Tommy Lou Reese was complimented on 13th birthday...

Twins Rosaland and Russell Reese celebrate their birthday anniversary...

Sgt. First Class & Mrs. Manuel Spann and son of Fort Smith, Ark., visited in Rock Island with relatives.

Heritage House News

By Linda Tillman, Activity Director

Nov. 1: The Resident Council meeting is held the first Monday of each month. During the meeting, residents elected Mrs. Gertrude Matecek as their vice-president of the Resident Council.

Nov. 9: The Catholic Daughters from Nada visited the residents with lots of homemade cakes, cookies and punch.

Nov. 18: Family Council Night was held. The residents' families were invited to attend. Everyone enjoys coming and meeting each others family and new acquaintances. The family members stated to staff members that the care their loved ones receive is very good. After the meeting, everyone enjoyed dessert, tea and coffee. The staff thanks all the families for coming out.

Nov. 19: The residents' birthday party was hosted by the Baptist ladies from Sheridan. Residents were served angel food cake with strawberries and whipped topping.

Nov. 28: Mrs. Willie Mae Prazak and the KJZT from Wallis entertained residents with Christmas music and lots of homemade cookies. The group also made Christmas ornaments for each resident. Thank you, Mrs. Prazak and the rest of the ladies.

The Second Coming of Christ

By Rev. J.H. James, Pastor, North Lake Missionary Baptist Church

"Almost two thousands years ago, God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him, should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16

And in this glorious day of grace, we have no excuse for such spiritual ignorance. For we have all heard of the word of God and we live on this "side" of Calvary. We should be able to distinguish what the prophets of old said relating to the first and second coming of Jesus.

They (prophets) pointed to His birth as a babe in a manger, and as a sacrificial lamb. He (Jesus) came as a Prophet, a King, and a Priest. He is no more a babe. As a prophet, He died for our justification.

As a King, He shall rule and reign from the Holy City Jerusalem. And His saints will reign with Him, in all of His glory!

As a priest, He is our Great High Priest. He went to Calvary to offer up blood. He is our advocate, that sits at the right hand of God. The man Christ Jesus, the only intercessor between God and man.

We are entering the Kingdom age, and Christ the King is on His way, to gather together His elect.

"And beloved, now are we the sons of God and it doth not yet appear what we shall be, but we know that when He shall appear, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is." 1 John 3:2

Jesus is personally coming back to this earth. Rev. 20:12

Shrine Club raises funds

The Board of Directors of the Colorado Valley Shrine Club met on Nov. 9 in Schulenburg and President Charles Trefny was very happy to report the following results for the annual Shrine collection day, Oct. 9:

Columbus, \$2,394.60; Hallettsville, \$392.69; La Grange, \$873.22; Schulenburg, \$1,062.51; Sheridan, \$1,300.45; Shiner, \$2,250; Weimar, \$2,215.47 - totaling \$10,488.94.

This total is up from the last few years and shows the heart of our communities in support of the Shrine Hospital and Burns Institute and "we" certainly say thanks.

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To allow our staff to celebrate Christmas with their families, we

Will Close at 2 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 24

And Remain Closed

Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 25 & 26

We Will Re-Open Monday morning,

Dec. 27, at 4:30 a.m.

Attend the Church of Your Choice...

GREATER UNION BAPTIST CHURCH: Matthews Community, Co. Rd. 141; 409-234-2581; Rev. Lawrence C. Robertson, Pastor.

MT. CARMEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH: Hwy. 90-A (Pecan Valley), Eagle Lake; Rev. P.L. Barrow Sr.; 234-5813.

LIVING HOPE CHURCH: Revs. Joe and Mercy Flung; 234-5536.

TEMPLE BERE: 621 Maple Street, Eagle Lake. Rev. Manuel Matamoros.

ROCK ISLAND FULL GOSPEL: P.O. Box 232, Rock Island; 234-5840; Nick Williams, Pastor.

LATIN-AMERICAN ASSEMBLY OF GOD (Bethlehem of Judea Church): 1000 East E, Eagle Lake; Ruth Olivera, Pastor.

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

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

GREATER NEW FAITH CHURCH: 6406 Guylar, Wallis; Rev. Clay Spears. 409-478-2169.

EAST BERNARD FIRST BAPTIST: Rev. Clifford Roser.

FIRST BAPTIST: N. Lake at E. Prairie, Eagle Lake.

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

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

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

PROVIDENCE BAPTIST: 1207 E. State, Eagle Lake. Rev. Coby Shorter; 234-3735.

ROCK ISLAND BAPTIST: Bob Allison, Pastor.

SHERIDAN FIRST BAPTIST

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.

CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE NATIVITY: Our Lady of Guadalupe Sanctuary; corner of Guadalupe & Murphy, Eagle Lake; 7 a.m. (Español), 9 a.m., 11 a.m., Rev. Eddie Winkler, P.O. Box 307; 409-234-2842.

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

CHRIST EPISCOPAL: 306 E. Stockbridge.

GOSPEL MISSION CHURCH: Pastors Erik & Crystal Cameron; 510 E. Prairie, Eagle Lake, 409-234-3225 or 234-2824.

GRACE LUTHERAN: 408 N. Stevenson, 234-3381; Services begin at 10 a.m.; Rev. Clements Richards.

LEHRER MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST: Garwood; 9 a.m. Worship. Rev. Paul A. Lynn, Pastor.

LISSIE UNITED METHODIST: Bill Ramsey, Pastor; 234-2112; Lissie, Tx.

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

UNITED METHODIST: Paul A. Lynn, 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.

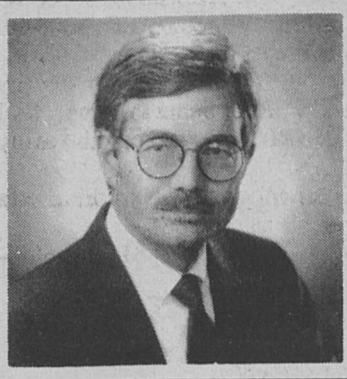
VINE OF THE LORD: Rev. Paul Aguilar, 1300 E. State, Eagle Lake; 234-7543.

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. Lynn Wilson, Minister.

THE SHEPHERD'S WAY: Non-denominational Christian Fellowship; 217 Main, Sealy. Frank Lucas, Pastor. 885-7873.



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Christmas in Heaven

What a beautiful sight.
It's my first one here,
Everything's alright.

I'll spend Christmas with Jesus
this year.

I'm with all our loved ones
Who preceded me here.

The reunion was lovely,
An event full of cheer,
But I think of you all
And wish I were near.

I know how much you miss me.

I can see the pain in your hearts.

I miss you too and hate that we have to be apart.

I'm sending each of you my special gift from up above.

I send you each a memory of undying love.

Always remember that I love and miss you all.

Merry Christmas,
Monnie

From all the ones that TRULY love, care, and miss you



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