

# OBITUARIES

## Juan Manuel Esparza

September 19, 1972 - September 16, 2000

Juan Manuel Esparza, 27, of Eagle Lake, passed away Saturday, September 16, 2000 at Hermann Hospital in Houston from injuries received that morning in an auto accident.

He was born September 19, 1972 in Mexico to Vidal and Victoriana Robles Esparza.

An Eagle Lake resident for the past six years, he was an employee of Colorado County Rice Mill near Eagle Lake.

Funeral services were pending as of press time.

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

Preceded in death by his father, he is survived by his wife, Gisela Molina Esparza; daughter, Aide Esparza; sons, Gustavo and Jordi Esparza, all of Eagle Lake; mother, Victoriana Robles; sister, Dolores Esparza of Mexico; brothers, Gabino Esparza of Pasadena, Omar Esparza of Eagle Lake and Antonio, Vidal and Gonzalo Esparza all of Mexico.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

## K.C. 'Jack' Griffith Jr.

January 3, 1917 - September 12, 2000

K.C. "Jack" Griffith Jr., 83, of Palestine passed away September 12, 2000 at his residence.

He was born January 3, 1917 in Palestine to Karl Cook and Mattie Mae Carr Griffith.

Griffith was a roadmaster for the Missouri Pacific Railroad where he worked for 42 years. He was employed by Cabler's Security Service and a member of the North Jackson Baptist Church and the Palestine Odd Fellows Lodge.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and a son, Jack Griffith in 1986.

Survivors include his wife, Eutha Griffith of Palestine; seven sons, Paul of New Hope, Kentucky, Grady of Farmington, New Mexico, Calvin of Tulsa, Oklahoma, James of Louisville, Kentucky, and Richard, Frank and Henry Griffith of Palestine; two sisters, Katie Wilson of Palestine and Pauline McHaffey of Rockdale; three brothers, Robert Griffith of Eagle Lake, Kenneth Griffith of Brenham and Tommy Griffith of Palestine; 16 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral service were held at 10 a.m., Saturday, September 16, from Bailey & Foster Chapel with Revs. Lowell Schochler and Jason Bryant officiating.

Burial followed in Palestine City Cemetery.

Arrangements were under the direction of Bailey & Foster Funeral Home Palestine.

Pallbearers were Bill Lumley, I.F. Knick, John David Stephens, Daniel Griffith, Ronnie Carson and Melvin Wise.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Hospice of East Texas, 3800 Paluxy, Suite 560, Tyler, Texas 75703; or the North Baptist Church 1213 N. Jackson, Palestine, Texas 75801.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

## Marvin L. Kelley Sr.

July 30, 1928 - September 13, 2000

Marvin L. Kelley Sr., 72, of Alleyton, passed away at 3:12 p.m. Wednesday, September 13, 2000 at Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake.

He was born July 30, 1928 in Greenfield, Dade County, Missouri, to Ernest and Maggie Woods Kelley. A resident of this area for most of his life, he married Elsie Karstedt in Eagle Lake on April 10, 1966.

He owned and operated Kelley Salvage Company for many years prior to retirement.

He was preceded in death by his parents; son, Larry Lee Holland; brother, Billy Kelley; and sisters, Maxine Killingsworth, Fern Lajune and Mary Leggett.

Survivors include his wife, Elsie Karstedt Kelley of Alleyton; daughters and sons-in-law, Carolyn and John Del Dotto and Dorothy Jean and Terry Mueller of Weimar, Mary and Bobby Joe Semora of Eagle Lake, Barbara and Jimmy Class of Ber-

nardo, and Sharon and John Alley Sr. of Alleyton; sons and daughter-in-law, Marvin L. and Diane Kelley Jr. of Eagle Lake, and Ernest Gene Kelley and James Michael Kelley of Austin; brother and sister-in-law, Floyd and Glenda Kelley of Oregon; 21 grandchildren; and 31 great-grandchildren; other relatives and loved ones.

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Saturday, September 16, from Dulany Funeral Home in Eagle Lake with Seldon Harris, Pastor of Christian Gospel Church in Alleyton, officiating.

Interment followed in the Alley Cemetery near Alleyton.

Dulany Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Rusty and Jason Class, John Alley Jr., Brian Semora, Jessie Jackson and David Cardenas.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

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## Treating Chronic Fatigue Syndrome

The exact cause of chronic fatigue syndrome (CFS) is unknown. Possible causes include allergic reactions, immunologic problems, abnormal nerve transmitter levels, and/or inflammation of nervous system pathways.

The primary symptom is severe fatigue which typically lasts for more than 6 months and impairs daily activities. Other signs and symptoms may include sore throat, lymph node tenderness, sleep problems, headaches, and irritability. A correct diagnosis of CFS requires extensive tests and usually is made only after ruling out numerous other causes of fatigue.

Antidepressants such as *paroxetine* (Paxil) and *sertraline* (Zoloft) appear to work well, even if the person with CFS is not clinically depressed. The initial antidepressant dose for CFS typically is very low—perhaps one-tenth to one-quarter the dose used in depression. Then it gradually is increased until benefit is seen. Non-sedating antihistamines such as *fexofenadine* (Allegra) may be helpful because CFS sufferers tend to have more allergies than the general population. *Desipramine* (Norpramin) or *nortriptyline* (Pamelor) may be helpful in managing sleep-related problems.

## Sidney A. Harmon Jr.

December 8, 1922 - September 14, 2000

Sidney A. Harmon Jr., 77, of Alleyton, passed away at 12:15 a.m. Thursday, September 14, 2000 at Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake.

He was born December 8, 1922 in Goose Creek, Texas, to Sidney A. and Emma Ziegelt Harmon Sr.

A veteran of World War II, he served with the 5th Tank Battalion and was awarded the World War II Victory Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal, American Theater Ribbon and EAME Theater Ribbon with One Bronze Service Star.

He married Vivian Eastman on June 15, 1951 in Cedar Lane, Texas, and led a distinguished career as a Millwright in the rice milling industry.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and brother, Charles Harmon. Survivors include his wife, Vivian Eastman Harmon of Alleyton; sons and daughters-in-law, Tommy Dale and Sandy Harmon of Conroe and Brian E. and Susan Harmon Sr. of Houston; sisters, Betty Thornell of New Braunfels and Judy Goodrum of

Timpson, Texas; brothers, Eugene Harmon of San Antonio and Henry Harmon of Nacogdoches; grandchildren, Adam Dale Harmon of Conroe and Michelle and Brian E. Harmon of Houston; nieces, nephews, other relatives and loved ones, including sisters-in-law, Ida Johns and Alice Brown.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, September 16, from Dulany Funeral Home in Eagle Lake with Rev. Brent Beasley, Pastor of First Baptist Church in Eagle Lake, officiating.

Graveside services and interment followed at 11:30 a.m. in Memorial Oaks Cemetery in Houston.

Dulany Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Earl Dutcher; David, Terry and Jimmy Lyle; Carl Hammermill; Chuck Rogers; Henry Schmidt Jr.; and Kenny Frank.

Honorary pallbearers were Henry Sunderman and Roy Sanders.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

## Mary Frances Wendel

January 7, 1922 - September 15, 2000

Mary Frances Wendel, 78, of Mentz, passed away Friday, September 15, 2000 at Alpine Terrace Nursing Home in Kerrville.

She was born January 7, 1922 in Ladysmith, Wisconsin, to Joseph and Mary Gemela Hrdlicka.

She married Alvin J. Wendel on May 20, 1962 and was a homemaker, member of St. Roch's Catholic Church, the Altar Society and a resident of Mentz for 38 years.

Preceded in death by her parents

and husband (April 27, 1999), she is survived by her brother and sister-in-law, Alois J. and Georgia Hrdlicka of Kerrville; two nieces and Godchildren, Carolyn Denton of Rockdale and Anita Hrdlicka of Plano.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Monday, September 18, from St. Roch's Catholic Church in Mentz with Father Bernard Snock officiating.

Burial followed in Immaculate Conception Catholic Cemetery in Sealy.

Henneke Funeral Home, Columbus, was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Barry Denton, Bill Davis, Eric Braden, James Helfrich, Jim Kleimann and Jim Kleimann Jr.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



## ANNOUNCING A NEW ARRIVAL

## Jacob Dylan Ramirez

Jacob and Briana Ramirez of Eagle Lake are pleased to announce the birth of their first child, a son, born at 1:46 p.m. September 9, 2000 at Gulf Coast Medical Center in Wharton.

Jacob Dylan weighed eight pounds, one ounce, and measured 20 inches at birth.

Maternal grandparents are Robert and Hope Moreida of Eagle Lake.

Paternal grandparents are Ray and Mary Ramirez of Eagle Lake.

Great grandparents are Mateo and Effie Navarro of Eagle Lake and the late Raymond and Virginia Guerra of Eagle Lake.

The new mom is the former Briana Moreida.

## Colorado Baptist to celebrate

Local Southern Baptist Churches will be joining others from across Wharton, Colorado and Matagorda

Counties Sunday afternoon, Sept. 24, at First Baptist Church in Wharton for their annual family of churches reunion as they celebrate 153 years of existence.

The program will begin at 3:45 p.m. with a singing group from Houston Baptist University giving a mini-concert followed by a sermon by Dr. E. Doug Hodo, president of Houston Baptist University.

A catered meal will be served at 5:30 p.m. Reservations for this meal are required and may be made through local Baptist church or by calling 979-532-0233.

The evening program will begin at 6:45 p.m. with the annual sermon being brought by Rev. Edward Sanford, pastor of Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church in El Campo.

Rev. Harold L. Sellers, Executive Director of Colorado Baptist Association and the joining San Felipe Baptist Association, will bring a message on "The State of the Association/Denomination". This will be a strong inspirational message with information related to the transitional times of the association/denomination.

The entire afternoon and evening will have lots of old fashioned gospel music interspersed into the program as directed by Mr. Mike Henderson, minister of music for the association and the First Baptist Church of Wharton.

At this time every year, the churches collect non-perishable food items and bring them to the meeting, which usually amounts to a trailer load, which is then delivered to the South Texas Children's Home near Beeville to help feed the children for the coming year.

Rev. Sellers says that a large attendance is expected.



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LIVING HOPE CHURCH: Revs. Joe and Mercy Fling; 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 Guyler, Wallis; Rev. Clay Spears. 979-478-2169.

EAST BERNARD FIRST BAPTIST: Rev. Clifford Roser.

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FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST: 405 S. Lake, Eagle Lake; Rev. Perry Riley, Pastor, 234-5795.

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

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

CHRIST EPISCOPAL: 306 E. Stockbridge.

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GOSPEL MISSION CHURCH: Pastors Erik & Crystal Cameron; 510 E. Prairie, Eagle Lake, 979-234-3225 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.