

OBITUARIES

Mary Weaver Ballew _____ December 11, 1905 - September 11, 2001

Mary Weaver Ballew, 95, of Eagle Lake, passed away at 7 a.m. Tuesday, September 11, 2001 at the Heritage House Nursing Home in Eagle Lake. She was born December 11, 1905 in South Dakota to Harry C. and Julia Ann Countryman Weaver.

She grew up in San Benito, Texas, graduating from high school in 1924.

It was in San Benito where she met and married Oscar Louis Ballew on June 27, 1931. They celebrated their

62nd wedding anniversary before his passing in July of 1993.

The Ballews lived in several towns and communities in Texas while Oscar worked for Central Power and Light Company. Upon his retirement, they moved to Bentonville, Arkansas, where they lived for several years before returning to Texas to settle in Eagle Lake.

For a short time, while in Arkansas, Mary worked for a small depart-

ment store owned by Sam Walton, a forerunner of Wal-Mart.

A member of the Eagle Lake United Methodist Church and Order of Eastern Star, she was loving wife and partner and a great cook.

A wonderful seamstress, her skill in needlework was rewarded with a Best of Fair Award in 1963 in a National Wool Needlework Contest.



Having no remaining immediate relatives, Mary is survived by her dear friends and care givers, Ann and Al Brieger of San Marcos and Andrew Harbich of Eagle Lake.

A celebration of her life was held Thursday, September 13, from the Chapel of Dulany Funeral Home in Eagle Lake with Rev. Bill Ramsey, pastor of Lissie United Methodist Church, officiating.

Interment followed in the Masonic Cemetery in Eagle Lake.

Dulany Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Al and John Brieger; and Andrew, Clayton and James Harbich.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Marguerite McCoy _____ April 22, 1927 - September 13, 2001

Marguerite McCoy, 74, of Sheridan, passed away at 7:55 p.m. Thursday, September 13, 2001 at the Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake.

Born April 22, 1927 in Harlingen, she was the daughter of James B. and Dovie Elizabeth West Dean.

She attended local schools and, for most of her life, was a bookkeeper for the Civil Service, working at the Naval Air Station in Corpus Christi.

Marguerite and John C. McCoy were married in Sebastian, Texas, on Jan. 14, 1947.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Survivors include her devoted husband of 54 years, John of Sheridan; daughter and son-in-law, Reba and Randall Moody of Missouri City; son and daughter-in-law, Johnnie and Patricia McCoy of Corpus Christi; sis-

ters, Faye Schneider of La Feria, Texas, and Marie Swanberg of Raymondville, Texas; four grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Following cremation, the family will assemble in Combes, Texas, near Harlingen for memorial services.

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

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Russell H. 'Buddy' Reese Jr.

June 26, 1915 - September 11, 2001

Russell H. "Buddy" Reese Jr., 86, of Eagle Lake, passed away peacefully at 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, September 11, 2001 at the Avalon Place Nursing Home in Wharton.

He was born June 26, 1915 in Florida City, Florida, to Russell Sr. and Cora Mae Forrest Reese. The family moved to and settled in Eagle Lake shortly after his birth.

The Reese family was part of the establishment and early development of the community. Doing business as Russell Reese General Contractor, they constructed homes, businesses and churches throughout and outside the County for many years. During World War II, they were called upon for construction efforts as far away as Houston. In the mid-60s, Buddy went to work for a long-time friend, David Wintermann, until his retirement.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Ruth "Ruthie" Waddell Reese; a brother, Franklin Reese; sister, Eleanor McCreary; and brother-in-law, Jerry Carille.

Survivors include his children Tommy Reese Herman and husband, Butch, Barbara Reese Rhoades and husband, Bill, Mary Ann Reese Gal-



lier and husband, Tom, Roslyn Reese Hadash and husband, Jerome, and Russell H. Reese III and wife, Yvonne; sisters, Mildred Reese Carille, Barbara Reese Davidson, and husband, Frank, Helen Reese Warnken and husband, Albert; sisters-in-law, Scottie Reese and Ruth Waddell; brothers-in-law, Joe Lee McCreary

and Rollin Baker; grandchildren, Connie and Wendy Herman, Julie and Richard Rhoades, Kenneth, Amanda and Russell Reese IV; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and loved ones.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, September 15, from Christ Episcopal Church in Eagle Lake with Rev. Stephen R. Whitfield, rector, officiating. John Matthews served as music director.

Cremation, committal services and interment in Lakeside Cemetery will follow at a later date.

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

Pallbearers were Joe Herbert and Christopher McCreary; Russell H. IV and Kenneth Reese; Alex Woolridge and Ralph Johnson.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made to the charity of your choice.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



ANNOUNCING NEW ARRIVALS

Roberto Mindieta III

Roberto Jr. and Amy Mendoza Mindieta of Eagle Lake are pleased to announce the birth of their first child, a son, born at 3:20 p.m. September 14, 2001 at the Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake.

Roberto III weighed five pounds, 15 ounces and measured 19-1/2 inches at birth.

Maternal grandparents are Jane Jaramillo of Eagle Lake and the late Eugene Mendoza. Paternal grandparents are Elva and Roberto Mindieta Sr. of Eagle Lake.

Great-grandparents are Julia and Alcario Barrios of Eagle Lake.

The new mom is the former Amy Mendoza.

George Anthony Regalado

Jesus and Anama Perez Regalado of Sealy are pleased to announce the birth of their third child, a son, born at 10:30 a.m. September 9, 2001 at Rice Medical Center.

George Anthony weighed eight pounds, one ounce and measured 20-1/2 inches at birth.

He was welcomed home by bro-

thers, Francisco Javier, age four; and Jesus David, one and one-half years old.

Maternal grandparents are Atanacio Perez and Felicias Sandate of Sealy.

Paternal grandparents are Ruperto Regalado and Lorenza Hernandez of San Luis Potosi, Mexico.

Logan David Soto

Chris and Jennifer Soto of Houston, formerly of Eagle Lake, are pleased to announce the birth of their first child, a son, born at 11:14 p.m. September 6, 2001.

Logan David weighed eight pounds, one ounce and measured 20

inches at birth.

Maternal grandparents are Dale and Roxanne Walker of Eagle Lake and Lewis J. Miller Jr. of Dayton.

Paternal grandparents are Betty Soto of Eagle Lake and the late David Soto.

Ramon Zarate Jr.

Ramon and Sammi Gertson Zarate of Eagle Lake, are pleased to announce the birth of their second child, a son, born at 8:42 a.m. September 12, 2001 in the Gulf Coast Medical Center in Wharton.

Ramon Jr. weighed seven pounds, nine ounces.

He was welcomed home by his sister, Summer Zarate.

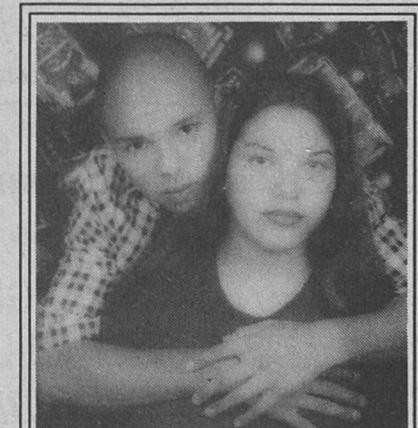
Maternal grandparents are Darrell

and Gail Gertson of Eagle Lake.

Paternal grandparents are Gabriel and Martina Zarate of Eagle Lake.

Great-grandparents are Ralph and JoAnn Gertson of Eagle Lake, Allen and Lillian Glueck of Sealy and the late Mr. Alton New, Cresceno and Julia Zarate of Mexico, and the late Francisco and MaPueclito Ojodeagua of Mexico.

Great-great grandparents are Charles and Pearl Ulrich of Eagle Lake.



Congratulations Amy and Roberto Mindieta Jr. on the birth of your son, Roberto Mindieta III.

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GRACE LUTHERAN: 408 N. Stevenson, 234-3381; Services begin at 10 a.m.; Rev. Clement Richards.
LEHRER MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST: Garwood; 9 a.m. Worship. Rev. Paul A. Lynn, Pastor.
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