

OBITUARIES

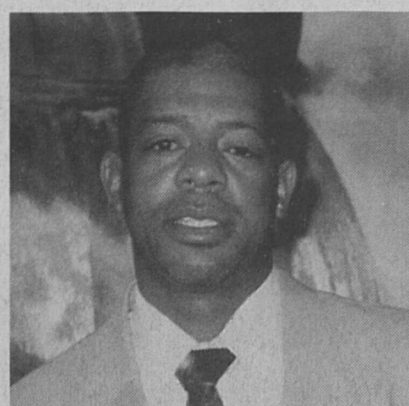
Terry Wayne Cotton

A wake service for Terry Wayne Cotton will be held Friday, November 22, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Carl Barnes Funeral Home, 746 West 22nd Ave. in Houston.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, November 23, from Greater Union Baptist Church in Matthews with Rev. Lawrence Robertson officiating.

Interment will follow in Union Hill Cemetery.

A full obituary will follow in next week's *Headlight*.



Will 'Skipper' Matthews Jr.

January 20, 1977 – November 8, 2002

Will "Skipper" Matthews Jr., 25, of Eagle Lake, passed away Friday, November 8, 2002.

He was born January 20, 1977 at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital to Will Sr. and Edna Matthews.

Will confessed Christ and was baptized at an early age at Greater Union Baptist Church under the pastoral leadership of Rev. A.J. Jones. He was an active member of the junior choir.

He attended school in the Rice Independent School District and graduated from Rice High School in 1996.

His father preceded him in death.

Left to cherish his memory are a loving mother; a loving and devoted uncle and aunt, Louis and Jessie Matthews; another uncle, Willie Frazier of Eagle Lake; four aunts, Castella Newton of Bay City, Margie Peet and Lillie Johnson of Houston and Earlene Upson of Eagle Lake; three special cousins, Jackie Hurd, Brenda Lee Lewis and Beatrice Kuykendall; a special childhood friend, Shawn Elliott Hurd; and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, November 16, at 11 a.m., from Greater Union Baptist Church with Rev. L. Robertson officiating.

Interment followed in Union Hill Cemetery in Matthews.

Arrangements were entrusted to Ben Davis Funeral Home of Columbus.

Gregory Mikeska

January 7, 1955 – November 17, 2002

Gregory Mikeska, 47, of Austin, passed away Sunday, November 17, 2002.

Born January 7, 1955, in Bastrop, he was the son of Jerry M. and Arlyne Linenberger Mikeska.

Gregory was a hotel clerk and had been a resident of Austin for 10 years.

Survivors include his parents, Jerry and Arlyne Mikeska of Columbus; sister, Marcy Ritchie and husband, Mark, of Austin; and his nieces.

Funeral services were scheduled for 10 a.m. Wednesday, November 20, from St. Anthony Catholic Church with Father Dan Kahlich officiating.

Interment will follow in St. Anthony Catholic Cemetery in Columbus.

Henneke Funeral Home of Columbus is in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers scheduled are Gerry, Nick and Steven Mikeska, Ronnie Daley, Chris Stein and Gary Braun.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Martha Faye Johnson

Martha Faye Johnson of Columbus, passed away Saturday, November 9, 2002.

On August 12, 1952, an angel was born to Maude (Ashton) and George W. Bratcher. This angel was named Martha Faye, the first of four children.

Martha attended church and school in the Columbus community where she also worked various jobs, always trying to help anyone she could.

She was baptized into the faith of Jesus Christ at an early age as a member of the New Greater Smith Chapel Baptist Church. She was a member until her untimely death.

Her husband, L.C. Johnson, preceded her in death.

Sister Martha Faye Johnson was blessed with two sons, Ronnie Ashton of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, and Frederick Ashton of Columbus.

She also leaves to mourn her passing, two sisters, Jerline Bratcher and Patricia Bratcher; and a brother, Douglas Bratcher, all of Columbus; two daughters-in-law, Hollie Beth of Mt. Pleasant and Emelda Faye of Columbus.

August 12, 1952 – November 9, 2002

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, November 14, from New Greater Smith Chapel Baptist Church with Rev. Joseph Hargrove officiating.

Interment followed in Willing Workers Cemetery in Columbus.

Arrangements were entrusted to Ben Davis Funeral Home of Columbus.

Pallbearers were Paul King Simmons, Mark Ashton, Michael Sutton, Era Ralph Palmer, Michael Fitzgerald, Joe Dancy, Larry Alley and Anthony Lewis.

Honorary pallbearers were Douglas Tillman, Douglas, Larry and George Bratcher, Paul King Ashton, Troy Ashton, Willie Ashton, Johnnie Ashton Sr., Clyde Ashton Sr. and Clyde Ashton Jr.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

ANNOUNCING NEW ARRIVALS

Trent David Evans

Laura and Keith Evans of Houston welcomed a son, Trent David, on September 7, 2002.

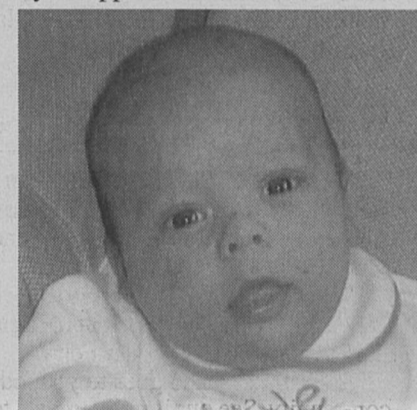
Trent arrived at Texas Woman's Hospital weighing seven pounds, two ounces, and measuring 21-1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are Clarke and Lynda Evans of Livingston, Bill and Jean Appelt of Hallettsville and Peggy and Bill Phillips of Houston.

Great-grandmothers are Agnesa Smith and Virginia Evans of Livingston.

Darrel, Melanie, Stephen and Kyle Appelt of Columbus also welcomed Trent home.

Trent's mom is the former Laura Lynn Appelt.



Liliana Marie Rodriguez

Lupe and Patricia Rodriguez of Eagle Lake are pleased to announce the arrival of their second child, a daughter, born November 1, 2002 at 5:45 p.m. at Gulf Coast Medical Center in Wharton.

Liliana Marie weighed eight pounds, eight ounces, and measured

20 inches at birth.

She was welcomed home by her big sister, Alexandra Claressa, age six.

Paternal grandparents are Melchor and Marina Rodriguez of Eagle Lake.

Maternal grandparents are Robert and Maria Silva of Eagle Lake.

LIBRARY LINES

Have you ever wondered how the Wintermann Library is governed and

how and why certain policies and practices are put into effect?

By Patty Holloway

Well, we can thank the 12-member library board which is made up of caring and conscientious volunteers.

The following are members of the current board: Betty Wegenhoft, Doyle Waldrop, Steve Whitfield, Robert Wilcox, Faye Wells, Kate Spalinger, Janet Schorlemmer, Sylvia Rucka, Barbara Pidgeon, Ralph Gertson, Harry Anderson and Grace Cooper.

These people donate many hours to the welfare of our library and I know we all appreciate their effort.

Thanksgiving is the beginning of our winter holidaying and food is one of the main symbols of Thanksgiving. So, I thought I would mention a really good cookbook you can check out at the library.

Texas Highway Cookbook by Doty Griffith is interesting reading even if you don't try any of the recipes. This book has wonderful recipes for authentic Texas Thanksgiving, Hanukkah, Christmas and New Year.

It starts with traditional turkey, then a number of sweet potato and dressing variations, along with tasty vegetable suggestions and ends with scrumptious desserts like Margarita Balls or cinnamon fingers. This is a cookbook you're going to want to check out.

The library has a good selection of general cookbooks but there are also a number of Texas cookbooks located in the Texas section of the library that are special. I just recently discovered them myself.

So, the next time you're in the library, have a look at some of them and I'm sure you'll find some you'll want to check out and use.

Bible Verse of the Week

"Cast your burden on the Lord, and He shall sustain you."

— Psalm 55:22

Submitted by Neddy Phillips

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

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

LIVING HOPE CHURCH: Eagle Lake; Revs. Joe and Mercy Fling; 234-5536.

BEREA CLADIC: 623 Maple Avenue, Eagle Lake; 234-2130.

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

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 APOSTOLISTIC REVIVAL RISING STAR: FM 102 South, Matthews; 4 p.m. (at Mt. Zion), Rev. R.L. Carter Sr.

GREATER NEW FAITH CHURCH: 6406 Guylter, Wallis; Rev. Clay Spears, Pastor; 979-478-2169.

EAST BERNARD FIRST BAPTIST

FIRST BAPTIST: 527 N. Lake, Eagle Lake; Rev. Brent Beasley, Pastor; 234-2571.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST: 405 S. Lake, Eagle Lake; Rev. H.O. Williams, Pastor; 234-5795.

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

GREATER MT. OLIVE BAPTIST: Rev. Thomas Kuykendall; 705 Lake, Eagle Lake; 234-3545.

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

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH: 306 E. Stockbridge, Eagle Lake, 234-3437.

ROCK ISLAND BAPTIST: Bob Allison, Pastor.

SHERIDAN FIRST BAPTIST

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

CHURCH OF CHRIST: Sheridan.

NEW LIFE FELLOWSHIP: Hwy. 90A, Sheridan; Del Sanford, Pastor; 234-3276.

CHRIST OUR REDEEMER-Charismatic: Jerry C. McKinney, Pastor; 979-478-7534 or 478-6512.

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH: East Bernard.

CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE NATIVITY: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Sanctuary; 308 N. Stevenson, Eagle Lake; 7 a.m. (Español), 9 a.m., 11 a.m., Rev. Eddie Winkler; P.O. Box 307; 234-2842.

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

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

LEHRER MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST: Garwood; 9 a.m. worship.

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

ROCK ISLAND METHODIST: Ken Sells Jr. Lay-Pastor.

UNITED METHODIST: 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: 1306 E. State Street, Eagle Lake; Rev. Paul Aguilar, Pastor; 234-7543.

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

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

CHURCH OF CHRIST: 815 Milam, Columbus; Lynn Wilson, Minister.

THE SHEPHERD'S WAY: Interdenomination Christian Fellowship; 1225 Eagle Lake Road, Sealy, Frank Lucas, Pastor; 979-885-1225.