

## Obituaries

### Edgar Arno Wahrmond

Edgar Arno Wahrmond passed away August 27 in El Paso.

He was born September 20, 1909 in Eagle Lake the son of Arno Louis and Ella Koennecke Wahrmond.

Edgar was of Presbyterian faith.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and son, James David Wahrmond.

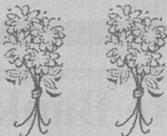
Survivors include, his wife, Sarah Ella Black Wahrmond; sons, Glen Richard Wahrmond of Houston, and Barry Hall Wahrmond of El Paso; six grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and two great-great grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Thursday, August 31 at 2 p.m. from Masonic Cemetery in Eagle Lake with Rev. Ardie Nelson officiating. Eagle Lake Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were family members

In lieu of flowers send donations to the Deacon's Fund, University Presbyterian Church, 2010 Wisconsin, Las Cruces, NM 88001.

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### Maxine Jackson

Maxine Jackson passed away August 21.

She was born November 3, 1944 in Altus, Oklahoma to Lucille and Roger Prince.

After moving to Eagle Lake, Maxine was blessed with three children, Linda Prince, Wayne Yell and Lloyd Jackson.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and husband, Willie Lloyd Jackson.

She leaves to cherish her memory, her sister, Mazel Lowe (Theodore); brother, Horace Williams; children, Linda Prince, Wayne Yell and Lloyd Jackson (Sharon); grandchildren, Erica, Ebony, Shamika, Jaquan, Breanna, Justin, Jonathan and Jordan; three great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Saturday, September 2 at 11 a.m. from Providence Baptist Church in Eagle Lake with Pastor Dave Curry, officiating. Interment followed in Eagle Lake Community Cemetery North in Eagle Lake. Final arrangements entrusted to Ben Davis Funeral Home of Columbus.

Pallbearers were George Whitelaw, George Black, Willie Davis, Chris Cotton, Edward Glover and Herbert Ashton.

Honorary pallbearers were Theodore Lowe, Wayne Yell, Derrick Thomas and Lloyd Jackson.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



### Guadalupe R. Rodriguez

Guadalupe R. Rodriguez passed away August 29 in Weimar.

She was born February 5, 1925 in Gregory, Texas.

Guadalupe was a housewife and member of the Catholic Parish of the Nativity.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Jesus R. Rodriguez; three brothers, Manuel, Pedro and Oscar Rubalcaba; a sister, Suzanna Solis; a son, Rafael Rodriguez; a daughter, Angelita Rodriguez; and one great-grandchild, Justin Paul Supak Aviles.

Survivors include, sons and daughter-in-law, Reynaldo and Mary Ann Rodriguez of Columbus and Nicholas Rodriguez of Beasley; daughters and son-in-law, Estella Rodriguez and Elida and Mark Salazar all of Eagle Lake; brothers, Cemente, Felix, Pablo, Benjamin and Longino Rubalcaba, Jr.; grandchildren, Federico R. and James R. Aviles, Chrissy, Melony, Dusty and Matthew Rey Rodriguez, Kathryn Desiree and Sophia Salazar, Ross, Marla and Jennifer Hounshell; two great-grandchildren, Justin Blake Meynier and Dianna Elizabeth Isbell; and other relatives and loved ones.

Funeral services were held Saturday, September 2 at 10 a.m. from the Parish of the Nativity Church with Father Robert Guerra officiating. Interment followed in the Immaculate Conception Cemetery in Sealy. Eagle Lake Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Federico Aviles, James Aviles, Raul Rubalcaba, Miguel Rubalcaba, Lois Rubalcaba, Eliseo Martinez, Ross Hounshell and Francisco Chavira.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



### John J. Williams

John J. Williams of Garwood, 86, slipped peacefully into eternal rest on Aug. 28, in Columbus.

John was born in Springfield, Mo. on June 29, 1920 to Curtis and Gertrude Gideon Williams.

After serving in the South Pacific during World War II, John was discharged from the Army and became a resident of Colorado County in 1946 where he was a cattle rancher and rice farmer.

John had a longtime involvement with Professional Rodeo furnishing stock, mainly bucking bulls to stock contractors. In the 1960s he was known as "Big John" — The Bull Man.

He was a Life Member of the San Antonio Livestock Show & Rodeo where he was one of the original Calf Scramble Committee Volunteers in 1954. He also served as Co-Chairman, as well as Chairman of the Calf Scramble Committee. For his long service to the San Antonio Livestock Show and Rodeo he was awarded and designated as a Life Time Director Emeritus.

John is a former Trail Boss and Director of the San Antonio Trail Ride; Life Member of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo; Former Director of the Texas Rural Communities Loan Association, Charter Member of the Garwood Lions Club and in 1972 was named an Honorary Texan by then Texas Governor Preston Smith.

John was preceded in death by his parents; his daughter, Ann W. Olson; and sisters, Jean Wage-man, Irene Wilkerson, Mary Williams, Martha Myers, Doris Williams, Alice Toliver; and brother, Jim Williams.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Charlyne Frnka Williams of Garwood; sons, George Williams and wife, Barbara, of Garwood and Richard Williams and wife, Laura, of The Woodlands; son-in-law, Bill L. Olson of Houston; brothers, Edgar, Curtis, Fred and Jerry Williams; and a sister, Katherine Netzer, all of Springfield; grandchildren, Audrey Schneider of Katy, Anessa Freeman of Garwood, Billy Olson of Houston, as well as Tara, Chase and Kyle Williams of The Woodlands; and five great-granddaughters.

Pallbearers were John Schneider, David Freeman, Billy Olson, Chase Williams, David Williams, Ross Fling, Kenneth Brune and Steve Toliver.

Honorary pallbearers were Dr. Russell Thomas, Troy Krenek, Jim Shoulders, Larry Smidovec, Dale Hunt, Billy Ray Krenek, and Directors of Plow Realty Company.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, August 31, at Henneke Funeral Home with Father Joseph Vrana officiating. Burial followed at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Nada. Henneke Funeral Home in Columbus was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials honoring John can be made to the Garwood Volunteer Fire Department, P. O. Box 131, Garwood, TX 77442 or the charity of your choice.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



### Myrtle I. Van Nort

Myrtle I. Van Nort of Eagle Lake passed away August 25 in Weatherford, Texas.

She was born September 6, 1916 in Brenham.

Myrtle was a housewife and of Baptist faith.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Roy A. Van Nort; sisters, Stella Trulove, Dorothy Schrader, Lucille Motl and Lillian Hansen.

Survivors include, son, Roy D. Van Nort of Eagle Lake; grandchildren, Deanne Van Nort of New Braunfels, Dianne Weaver and husband, Rick, of Weatherford, Dean Van Nort and wife, Janet, of Topeka, Kansas, and Devin Van Nort and wife, Melinda, of Montgomery, Texas; great-grandchildren, Jerry, Jason and Leslie Purtle; Boyd, Rami, Rikki, and Kay Kay Weaver; Ashley Van Nort and other relatives and loved ones.

Funeral services were held Friday, September 1 at 2 p.m. from the First Baptist Church in Eagle Lake with Rev. Chris Thacker officiating. Interment followed in the Masonic Cemetery in Eagle Lake. Eagle Lake Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Monroe Schrader, Nick Schrader, Randall Schrader, Marcus Schrader, Marqueta Russell, Bill Williams, Robert Buerger and David Jones.

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## Tips For A Senior Friendly Home

As people grow older, getting around the house is no longer a given. Arthritis and other ailments can make moving around a difficult proposition.

This puts seniors in the position of making choices - either risking the danger of falls and injuries or making a move to a home that may be more suitable. Few, however, relish the idea of changing residences in their retirement years.

Fortunately, there's another option: modifying the home to be safer and more user-friendly. Several preemptive steps can be taken to make a home equipped and comfortable for living out senior years.

Lighting. While you may feel as though you know your home like the back of your hand, you should still install some extra lighting throughout your home as you get older. To avoid falls, make sure staircases are well lit. If not, have overhead lights installed and make sure all light switches are easy to reach. Around a staircase, make sure there's a light switch at the top and bottom of the stairs. Battery-operated lights can do the trick and help you avoid costly electrician costs.

Add a telephone or two. Though it's good, especially for seniors, to always have a cell phone on hand, it's also a good idea to equip your home with an extra telephone in key rooms - even in the bathroom, where falls often occur.

If you suffer from arthritis, give your aches and pains a break and have a telephone installed in a reading room or family room if they're not already there. In addition, install a telephone in your bedroom. This will keep you from making long, unnecessary walks, saving your legs for more important things like traveling or playing with the grandkids.

Install extra handrails. Staircases and bathrooms are often the scene of the crime with respect to home accidents involving seniors. Slippery floors in bathrooms can be countered by adding a handrail along the wall right outside your shower or tub.

With something to grab onto as you step out, you're less likely to slip on a wet floor. Consider also placing a seat or handrail in the shower so you can steady yourself when washing.

In addition, an extra handrail opposite the existing handrail on your staircase can compensate for any diminished vision that comes with aging and leads to a loss of depth perception that often causes spills on the staircase. With the extra handrail to hold onto, you can avoid falling altogether or minimize the damage done if you do fall.

## New Arrivals

**Kristopher Caine Avila**  
Blanca Guerra and Wilfredo V. Avila are pleased to announce the birth of their child, a son, born August 29 at 3:51 a.m. at Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake.

Kristopher Caine weighed eight pounds, one ounce and measured 21 inches at birth.

He is welcomed home by siblings, Sarah Avila, 2; and Alexis Cavazos, 6.

Maternal grandparents are Jerry and Vivian Guerra of Eagle Lake.

Paternal grandparents are Wilfredo M. Avila and Maria Avila of Sealy.

**Noah Jesse Casanova**  
Joey Casanova and Jessica Yanez of Eagle Lake are pleased to announce the birth of their child, a son, born August 31, at 6:38 p.m. at Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake.

Noah Jesse weighed five pounds, 14 ounces and measured 19 inches at birth.

He was welcomed home by siblings, Zedekiah Casanova, 3; and Caden Casanova, 1 year, four months.

Maternal grandparents are Martha and Jesse Yanez of Eagle Lake and Linda and Graham Beisel.

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### Reduce The Complications of Chickenpox

Chickenpox is caused by the *varicella-zoster virus*. Less than two weeks after exposure, a red itchy rash breaks out on the face, scalp, chest and back and can spread across the entire body. A fever, mild headache, stomachache, and irritability may precede or accompany the rash. The rash begins as spots which turn into blisters that break open and crust over. New spots may continue to appear for several days. This virus is spread through direct contact with the rash or by coughing or sneezing. Chickenpox is highly contagious and quickly spreads through child-care facilities and schools.

People who have received the chickenpox vaccine (*Varivax*) as well as those who have had the disease in the past are usually immune to the virus. Although chickenpox is usually mild, serious cases may occur, especially among newborns and pregnant women. Medications may be prescribed to reduce the likelihood of complications in high-risk individuals. Antivirals such as *acyclovir* (*Zovirax*) and *varicella-zoster immune globulin* (*VZIG*) may be prescribed for the treatment of chickenpox. Persons with chickenpox should not take aspirin, as this may cause a serious disease known as Reye's syndrome. Nonprescription medications such as *antihistamines* and *calamine lotion* may help minimize discomfort.

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— Proverbs 31:30  
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