

**American Red Cross Lifeguard Course**  
 Registration meeting will be held Tuesday, April 15 at the Eagle Lake Pool.  
 Renewals will meet at 6 p.m. and new students will meet at 6:30 p.m.  
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Thank you for your prayers, gifts, thoughtfulness, food, flowers and visits since March 10 and my accident. Eagle Lake really came together and proved to me that they are my extended family. I cannot name each and everyone that came to my rescue or I would leave someone out. Many thanks for each and every kind word, action and feeling expressed to me during this very trying time. If there were any inconveniences with Creative Expressions being closed, please accept my sincere apologies. My sincerest appreciation goes to Kymbra Owen for stepping in and handling the operations as if I would have done them myself. Dr. Thomas, thank you for putting me back together again.  
 I'm back to pick up where I left off by serving your flower and gift needs.  
 Much love to all of my Eagle Lake family.  
 Shirley Compton  
 Creative Expressions

Thank You  
 The family of our beloved Kashara Monette Pratt is indeed grateful for the many expressions of flowers, cards, Christian concern, and expressions of sympathy for the loss of our precious "Sweet Pea."  
 We pray that God will continue to bless you abundantly as you have enriched our lives.  
 The Family of Kashara M. Pratt

**In Memory of Kashara Pratt**  
 The "Dash" - in her life made an impact in one young man's life, my son, Roman. After the devastation of losing his dad and now two years later losing his teacher's aid has saddened him again, but there is one thing I want to say to her family. Know the impact that she made in his life, his motivation to get out of his wheelchair and perseverance is dedicated to Ms. Pratt. Through her life, compassion and understanding, it brought forth the ability to want to do more. Instead of someone pushing him in the wheelchair, he is now pushing the wheelchair in the hallway.  
 My pastor once the congregation: Love unshown is love unknown! I Corinthians, 13:13 (ISV) Right now three things remain: faith, hope, and love. But the greatest of these is LOVE! Know that she was appreciated and loved by every one.  
 What would your "dash -" say to impact one's life?  
 Thank You, Ms. Herek

The "Dash" - In Your Life  
 When the pastor stood to speak at the funeral of a friend, he referred to the dash on her friend's tombstone from the beginning...to the end.  
 He noted that first came the date of her birth, and spoke of the following date with many tears, but he said what mattered the most of all, was the d-a-s-h between these years.  
 For the d-a-s-h represents all the time that she spent alive on earth, and now only those who loved her know what that little line is worth.  
 For it matters not, how much we own; the cars, the house, the cash - - what matters is how we live and love, and how we spend our d-a-s-h.  
 So think about this long and hard. Are there things you'd like to change? For you never know how much time is left - - (You could be at d-a-s-h mid-range).  
 If we could just slow down long enough to consider what's true and real, and always try to understand the way other people feel, and be less quick to judge and anger, and show appreciation more, and love the people in our lives like we've never loved before.  
 If we treat each other with respect and more often wear a smile, remembering that his special d-a-s-h might only last a little while.  
 So when your eulogy is being read with our life's actions to rehash - - - Would you be pleased with the things they say about how you spent your d-a-s-h?

**Obituaries**



**Frank M. Cumpian, Sr.**  
 Frank M. Cumpian, Sr., 88, of Eagle Lake passed away Thursday, April 3 at Rice Medical Center.

He was born March 2, 1920 in Belton, Texas.  
 Frank married Manuela Gonzales on November 20, 1938 in Ramsey and worked for Southern Pacific Railroad from July 1944 through 1982.

Frank was preceded in death by his parents, Atilano Cumpian, Sr. and Concepcion Martinez Cumpian; two sons, Frank Cumpian Jr. and Samuel Cumpian; sister, Romanita Gaitan; two brothers, Lalo Cumpian and Atilano Cumpian, Jr.

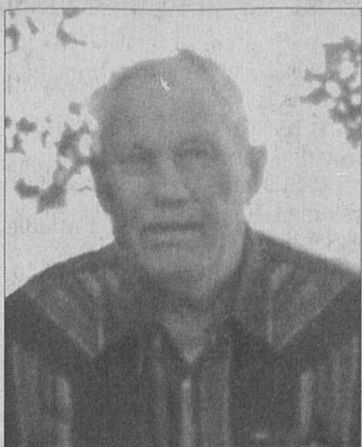
He leaves to cherish his memory a wife, Manuela Cumpian of Eagle Lake; daughters, Esther Cumpian of Eagle Lake, Elizabeth Romo of Eagle Lake, Sarah Urdiales of Eagle Lake; brothers, Moises Cumpian, Sr. of Houston, Daniel Cumpian of Perris, California; 17 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren, five great-great-grandchildren and numerous relatives and friends.  
 Visitation was held until 8 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Funeral Home.

Funeral services were held Saturday, April 5 at 10 a.m. at Eagle Lake Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Mario Vasquez officiating. Burial followed at Nativity Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Davy Diaz, Chris Chmelik, Jordan Konesheck, Gabriel Montoya, Roberto Alonso, Jr. and Daniel Romo

Honorary pallbearers were Roy Montoya and Mark Montoya.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



**Walter George Corliss**  
 Walter George Corliss passed away Saturday, April 5, in Columbus.

He was born in Garwood on Nov. 15, 1932.

Walter was preceded in death by his parents, Dennis Alf Corliss and Mary Bittner Corliss; brothers, Milton, Melvin and Dennis Corliss; sisters, Martha Corliss Stoller and Betty Jo Corliss Marshall; an infant son; and his wife, Wanda.

He is survived by a daughter and son-in-law; Donna and Kenneth Sliva of Inez, Texas; two grandchildren, Wesley and Cheryenne Sliva; brothers and sisters-in-law, Clifford and Candace Corliss of Columbus and Harry and Stella Corliss of Garwood; sisters and brothers-in-law, Evelyn and Raymond Grunewald of Weimar and Carol and Paul Oncken of Weimar; also numerous nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

Mr. Corliss was a retired farmer and rancher and also operated W-C Goose Hunting in Lissie for many years.

He also enjoyed raising good horses both registered Quarter horses and paint horses, and was a member of A.Q.H.A. & A.P.H.A.

Visitation was held at Eagle Lake Funeral Home Monday from 5 to 8 p.m. and Tuesday from 8:30 a.m. until service time.

Services were held Tuesday, April 8, at 2 p.m. at Eagle Lake Funeral Home in Eagle Lake. Burial followed in Lissie Community Cemetery in Lissie.

Eagle Lake Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.  
 Pallbearers were Scott Fye, Jeff Corliss, Ronnie Sliva, Wayne Fisher, John Williams Dusek and Bradley Corliss.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to Hospice of Houston - El Campo P.O. Box 1417, El Campo, TX 77437 or American Cancer Society, Colorado County Unit, P.O. Box 772, Columbus, TX 78934-0772.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



**Clyde Ray Cunningham**

On March 6, 1936, a precious baby boy was born to Estelle Amos Cunningham and Theron John (T.J.) Cunningham, Sr. They named him Clyde Ray.

He was baptized at an early age in the river in Boones Bend, Texas and attended the E.H. Henry High School.

Clyde met and married the love of his life, his wife of 52 years, Hattie Tyler-Cunningham. To this union, they have three children and three grandchildren.

He worked and retired after 32 years of service from Tenneco/El Paso Energy in East Bernard.

He has been an active member of Greater Union Baptist Church in Matthews for numerous years and has served in many roles: Deacon, Choir President, and Vice President, Church Trustee, Chair of Finance Committee, and also a caretaker of the Union Hill Cemetery.

On Sunday, March 30, God gently closed Clyde's eyes and whispered, "Come home," and Clyde joined God's hand and let God guide him to "Peace in the Valley!"

He is preceded in death by his parents, Estelle Amos-Cunningham and Theron John (T.J.) Cunningham, Sr.; and a stepmother, Sis. Roberta Cunningham.

Clyde leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife, Hattie Tyler-Cunningham; one daughter, Nichelle Cunningham of Rosenberg; two sons, Clyde Thelton Cunningham of Houston and Osborn Ray Cunningham of Hillsboro, Texas; three grandchildren, Jessica Lynn, Nicholas James, and Jimia Tyler; two sisters, Claudia Harris of Friendswood and Ruth Williams of El Campo; four brothers, Bob Cunningham (Mary) of Galveston, James Cunningham (Barbara) of Texas City, Rev. T.J. Cunningham, Sr. (Beatrice) of Matthews and Willie B. Cunningham of El Campo; a play brother, Louis Matthews (Jessie Lee) of Matthews; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, April 5 at 11 a.m. at Greater Union Baptist Church in Matthews with Rev. Lawrence Robertson officiating. Interment followed at Union Hill Cemetery. Another life celebration by Ben Davis Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Gean Gee, Brandon Cunningham, Ricky Cunningham, Jr., Dwayne Hurd, Dwight Hurd, and Keith Twine.

Honorary pallbearers were The Deacons and Trustees of Greater Union Baptist Church, James Bartley, Chris Valencia, Ronnie Carroll, Jimmie Williams, and Kalenn Walzer.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

**Sheridan Library**

It's that time of year again for the Community/Library rummage sale at the Sheridan Community Center. The rummage sale runs for 3 days, beginning Thursday, May 1 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday, May 2 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., and on Saturday, May 3 from 8 a.m. to noon.

Take time to clean out your closets, cabinets, and garage to check for unwanted items that you have. Many donors have already dropped off their items at the library. The library is open Monday through Thursday from noon to 5 p.m. Assorted items have been coming in at the library like small appliances, furniture, book cases, linens, clothes, and stuffed animals. You may drop off your donations any day except Friday, when the library is closed.

The 2008 Friends of the Library membership has started. Nine patrons have joined: Kathy Brown, Charlene and Glen Tesch, Pauline Solomon, Emily Kelly, Ron Lewis, Beverly Mercer, and Eldon and Joyce Ohm. Membership is \$5 per person. You may enroll by stopping by the library or mailing in your money to librarian, Marilyn Murphy. Last year our membership totaled 109 members. Let's try to match this number or even better, exceed that number.

The library received the following memorials:

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 By Zelda Walker  
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In memory of Grace Brisco by Bill & Lillian Gohlke  
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 By Wayne & Natalie Dupre  
 By Zelda Walker  
 By Lavo & Ruth Brisco

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In memory of Derwyn Johnson by Bill & Lillian Gohlke  
 By Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Wagner

By Roy & Margie Fuller  
 In memory of Joyce Price by Bill & Lillian Gohlke

The following people and organizations donated books, DVDs, and monetary contributions to the library: Larry and Darnell Varley, Nancy Chabreck, Alan & Debbie Kloss, James & Marilyn Murphy, Wayne & Natalie Dupre, Betty Varley, and the Lake Sheridan Ladies Auxiliary. Thank you for your continued support.

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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. H.O. Williams, Pastor; 234-5813.  
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 ROCK ISLAND FULL GOSPEL: P.O. Box 232, Rock Island; 234-5840.  
 CHRISTIAN CITY FELLOWSHIP: 1140 Meyer, Sealy; Rusty Griffin, 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 Guylar, Wallis; Rev. Clay Spears, Pastor; 979-478-2169.  
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 FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST: 405 S. Lake, Eagle Lake; 234-5795.  
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 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; 8 a.m. (Español), 10 a.m. (English) 6 p.m. Saturday (English), Rev. Robert F. Guerra, P.O. Box 307; 234-2842.  
 ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH: Box 97, Nada; Fr. Joe Vrana; 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: J. L. Craft, 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: 1300 E. State Street, Eagle Lake; Rev. Paul Aguilar, Pastor; 234-7543.  
 CrossRoad ASSEMBLY OF GOD: 510 Wallace, East Bernard; Pastor George Kutach; 979-335-7706.  
 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.  
 SOUTH POINT BAPTIST CHURCH: 6407 Hwy 71-S, Garwood; 979-758-3039.  
 ASSEMBLEA DE DIOS HOSANNA: 403 East Main, Eagle Lake; 979-732-1966; Pastor Romero Rodriguez Jr.  
 BIBLE TRUTH APOSTOLIC CHURCH: Corner of S. Wharton & E. First St., El Campo; Pastor Larry T. Smith, 979-543-2331.-non-denominational.

**Bible Verse of The Week**

"Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!"  
 Philippians 4:4  
 Submitted by Neddy Phillips

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