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Anti-epileptic medications are available to either completely eliminate seizures or to reduce their frequency and severity. The specific medication chosen depends on many factors, including age, the type and severity of epilepsy. Valproic acid (*Depakene*), carbamazepine (*Tegretol*, *Equetro*), and phenytoin (*Dilantin*) are different types of antiepileptic drugs that may be prescribed. Carbamazepine and phenytoin decrease seizures by inhibiting the body's voltage-gated sodium channels. Valproic acid decreases seizures by increasing gamma aminobutyric acid, an inhibitory neurotransmitter. It also may affect potassium channels.

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Obituaries



Henry Thomas Sunderman

On Friday April 10, prominent rice farmer and conservationist, Henry Thomas Sunderman, passed away after a brief illness. He was born on May 16, 1920 to Glen C. Sunderman and his wife, Esther Thomas Sunderman. Henry graduated from Eagle Lake High School in 1938, and was engaged in rice farming with his father in Alvin. On December 1, 1940 he married his high school sweetheart, Elenor Dutcher. Mr. Henry, as he was affectionately known by all, continued his rice farming business on the East Bernard and Lissie prairies until he purchased his farm north of Eagle Lake in the late 50's. After several years of marriage, Henry and Elenor were blessed with two children, daughter, Jewel Ann and son, Glen Thomas. In 1993, Henry lost his beloved Elenor and remarried on September 10, 1994, to Alice Mae Michal Dutcher, who was his constant companion until his death. Mr. Henry became a member of the Colorado County Soil and Water Conservation District in 1967 bringing his agricultural expertise to this position. He served for 18 years, including 15 years as vice-chair before resigning in 1985. He received the Distinguished Service Award for 18 years of service at that time. However, he was back at it in 1993, and was again elected vice-chair three years later. Again he served in that capacity for seven more years. He also served as the board's distinguished chair up until his retirement in February 2006. In 1971, Mr. Henry was recognized by the Columbus Rotary Club as an "Outstanding Agriculturist", and received a Conservation Farmer Award. He has always been more than willing to share his leadership and extensive knowledge of farming and conservation with all who were willing to listen. He was an active member of the ASC Committee from 1974-1982. Mr. Henry was a member of

the Eagle Lake Lions Club, holding different offices of this organization, including President, two times. He was nominated as an Outstanding Older Texan in May 2000. Henry was a member of the Methodist Church of Eagle Lake, having served in many capacities including the building committee of its present structure. Mr. Henry enjoyed the outdoors; having farmed for over fifty years. In his free time he enjoyed deer hunting, flying his Cessna, and being with family. Later in his life, Henry liked going to the "Bottoms" with his son-in-law, Eddie, and helping with the garden, until his health made it difficult for him to get around.

Preceding Henry in death are his parents, Glen and Esther; his wife of 52 years, Elenor; daughter-in-law, Stephanie Sunderman; brothers, Leslie and his wife, Irene; and brother, David; sister, Luana Vana and her husband, Ozzie; brother-in-law, Don Kaulitz; and stepdaughter, Georgianna Dutcher Sexton. The survivors include wife of 15 years, Alice Mae Sunderman; daughter, Ann Pavliska and husband, Eddie; and son, Glen Thomas Sunderman. He is also mourned by grandchildren, Rachel Matths Smith, and husband, Bradley; Kelli Matths and fiancé, Jeffrey Hammon, and Coy Thomas Sunderman, and wife, Shelley; two great-grandsons, Brodan Thomas Smith and Leyton Smith; and a great-granddaughter due in July; two sisters, Vera Sunderman Kaulitz and Jane Sunderman Williams and her husband, Dick; and sister-in-law, Margaret Sunderman; extended family include step-sons: Jeff Dutcher and Chris Dutcher and wife, Annette; step-son-in-law, Jim Sexton; numerous step-grandchildren, and step-great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends who mourn his passing.

Funeral services for Henry Thomas Sunderman were held on Monday, April 13, at 3 p.m. in the Methodist Church of Eagle Lake. Interment was in Lakeside Cemetery. Pallbearers were members of the family including Kurt and Chad Sunderman, Bradley Smith, Jeff Hammon, Clint Krenek, Lennie Retzlaff, Albert Dutcher IV, and Chris Dutcher. Honorary pallbearers were Melvin and Edward Sunderman, Vic Corman, Lonnie Sommerlatte, Guy Hemphill, Frank Higgins, Frank Davidson and Alvin Wiese. Mr. Henry will be dearly missed because he was loved by many and touched so many lives. Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

Edward L. Johnson
Edward L. Johnson resident of Boston, Massachusetts, passed away peacefully April 1 at Columbus Community Hospital.

He was born February 15, 1937 in Holly Spring, MS, raised in Boston and attended Boston public schools. Edward accepted Christ as his personal Savior at an early age. He received an electrician certification from ITT and later hired by Harvard University where he retired after 32 years of service.

Ed was an only child born to Annie Mae Cowan Johnson and Fred Johnson and was the beloved husband of Eddie Collins Johnson for 37 years. The story goes like this: "One day Edward and his best friend Charles Smith, AKA his brother (Chuck), met two special young ladies. Edward decided to ask one of them for a date and from this date he asked her hand in marriage. They were united in holy matrimony on April 8, 1972, and the rest of the story is history."

He will forever be remembered by his beloved children, Lorraine (Ivor) Davies, Ahmad (Michelle), Kanya (Jimane) Nelson, Saphaidra (Horces) Pierre, Titus and Marcus (Suyapa) Aba Seals; treasured grandchildren Yolanda, Tina Amari, Briyanna, Jiasi, Selah and Horces, Jr.; a host of caring in-laws; best friends, Charles (Chuck) Smith, Jerry Perrino and Jean Claude; loving Trinidadian family and sister, Ma Ingrid (Roy) Isaac, Mother Dubose, along with a countless other family and friends whom were blessed to know him.

Edward loved listening to blues and gospel music, playing the piano, organ, guitar, singing and reading. He especially enjoyed having fun with his family and friends at his favorite mountain site in New Hampshire. A good game of Chess with his oldest son, Ahmad was also a favorite past time. He swore by his apple cider vinegar and garlic. It was his cure to all illness.

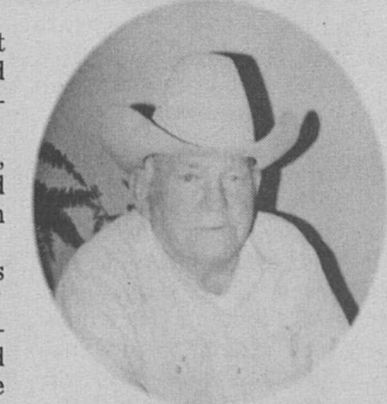
He touched the lives of many people with his gentle smile and generosity. Edward maintained his trademark of caring for others all the way to the end.

Funeral services were held Thursday, April 9 at 11 a.m. at New Greater Smith Chapel Baptist Church in Columbus with Rev. J. Hargrove officiating. Interment followed at Willing Workers Cemetery in Columbus. Arrangements entrusted to Ben Davis Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Travis Collins, Percy Coleman, Nathaniel Davis, Hubert Collins, Raymond Moore, and Ben E. Vinson.

Honorary pallbearers were uncles, nephews, cousins, in-laws, NGSCBC brotherhood, and the Columbus Varsity Basketball Team.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



John William Greak

John William Greak, 83, of Rock Island passed away April 9 in Eagle Lake.

He was born to Oscar and Frieda Greak March 9, 1926.

John was a life time resident of Colorado County and worked as a farmer and rancher and built fences for over 50 years. He is survived by daughters, Mary Lou Frenzal and James of Rock Island, Dorothy Bujnoch and Anton of Sheridan and Carol Noska and Jimmy of Rock Island; son, Jerry Lane Greak and Lola of Rock Island; sister, Frankie Schobel of Columbus; brother, Edwin Greak of Industry; nine grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy E. Greak; son, Donald Greak; sisters, Margaret and Gloria Greak; brothers, Dan, Tom, Bud and Oscar Greak.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m., Monday, April 13 at the Rock Island Methodist Church. Burial was in Myrtle Cemetery Rock Island.

Arrangements were under the direction of Eagle Lake Funeral Home.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

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Pecan Field Day Slated April 22

Texas AgriLife Extension Service of Fayette and Colorado counties will host a Pecan Field Day on Wednesday, April 22, at the Hajovsky pecan bottom at 10 a.m.

We will meet at the Holman Parish Hall at 9 a.m. and car pool/follow to the bottom for the program.

The first speaker, Dr. Larry Stein, Extension horticulturist, will discuss preparing for the 2009 crop while coming out of the drought.

The second speaker will be Bill Ree, Extension program specialist (pecans), who will cover integrated pest management, including the pecan nut casebearer, and new product updates.

Two continuing education units (one integrated pest management and one general) will be offered for participation in this meeting.

Bring lawn chairs. For more information, contact Texas AgriLife Extension Service of Fayette County at (979) 968-5831.

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Jude 1:20-21
Submitted by Donna Samora

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