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The chance of being bitten by a tick can be reduced by wearing protective clothing when in areas where ticks are likely to live. An insect repellent containing DEET should be applied to clothes and skin. It is also important to check the skin for ticks each day, because it is less likely that Lyme disease will develop if the tick is removed within 24 to 36 hours after it attaches to the skin. Oral antibiotics are often prescribed for 10 to 21 days. Antibiotics commonly prescribed for Lyme disease include doxycycline (*Vibramycin*), amoxicillin (*Amoxil*), and cefuroxime axetil (*Ceftin*). For more serious cases of the condition intravenous administration of an antibiotic, such as ceftriaxone (*Rocephin*), may be necessary.

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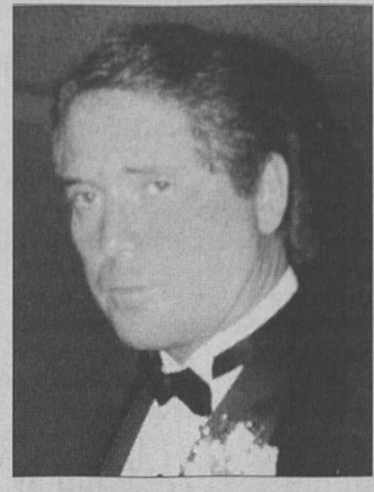
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CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE NATIVITY: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Sanctuary; 308 N. Stevenson, Eagle Lake; 8 a.m. (Español), 10 a.m. (English) 6 p.m. Saturday (English), Rev. Robert F. Guerra, P.O. Box 307; 234-2842.  
ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH: Box 97, Nada; Fr. Joe Vrana; 758-3218.  
GRACE LUTHERAN: 408 N. Stevenson, Eagle Lake; Services begin at 11 a.m.; Rev. Bill Mosley, Pastor; 234-3381.  
LEHRER MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST: Garwood; 9 a.m. worship.  
LISSIE UNITED METHODIST: Ken Seller Jr., Pastor; 234-2112, Lissie.  
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THE SHEPHERD'S WAY: Interdenomination Christian Fellowship; 1225 Eagle Lake Road, Sealy, Frank Lucas, Pastor; 979-885-1225.  
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**Bobby Earl Tise**  
Bobby Earl Tise was born December 24, 1936 in Eagle Lake to parents, Lee and Etta Mae Kessler Tise.  
He grew up and attended schools in Eagle Lake and Shaw, Mississippi.  
A truck driver by trade, Bobby hauled livestock.  
He made his home in numerous places in Texas before moving to Sealy in the 1980s.  
A Mormon by faith, he was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Sealy where he never missed a service.  
He also served as President of the local Sealy American Association of Retired Persons (AARP). In his down time, Bobby enjoyed fishing, reading and sightseeing.  
He passed away unexpectedly and was found June 1 at his home in Sealy. He was 72 years old.  
Bobby is survived by one brother, Clarence Lee Tise and wife, Barbara, of Blessing; two sisters, Nettie Elizabeth Barfield and her husband, Clarence of La Porte and Gracie Jean Pearson and her husband, Roger of Temple; and his nephews and nieces, Johnny Wayne and Sonya Tise of Palacios, Bertice Lee and Arnie Tise of Albuquerque, New Mexico, Carey Neal and Natalie Tise of Bellville, Jack S. and Lisa Barfield of La Porte, Michael and Angie Barfield of Houston, Kimberly and Thomas Karstedt of La Grange, Amy and Chris Raabe of Hallettsville, Mellony Jean Schein of Edna, Tina Lynette LaFoy of Baytown, Kathy Joann and Al Miska of Edna, Charles R. Tise of Arkansas, Donald Tise and Ronald Tise of Dayton, Shelly and Chad Lovett of Huntington, and Carolyn and John Peters of Temple; and many other dear friends and relatives.  
He was preceded in death by his parents; and his four brothers, Charles, Joe, James Ray and Sammy Tise.  
Visitation was held Wednesday, June 3 at Schmidt Funeral Home in Bellville.  
Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. June 4 from Schmidt Funeral Home Chapel with Branch President Jose Robles, officiating. Interment followed in San Felipe Cemetery in San Felipe. Schmidt Funeral Home in Bellville was in charge of arrangements.  
Pallbearers were John Miska, Doug Darrell Tise, Al Miska, John Peters and Roger Birdwell. Friends who wish to make memorial gift may do so by sending them to: Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, P.O. Box 554, Eagle Lake, Texas 77434.  
Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

**Ms. Brenda Robertson**  
Brenda was born Dec. 23, 1962 to Mr. James and Johnnie Mae Tuner Leaks.  
She attended Bellville School in Austin County and graduated from Bellville High School in 1981.  
Brenda confessed her belief in Christ and was baptized at St. John Missionary Baptist Church, under the leadership of Reverend A. B. Bennett, later under the leadership of Pastor Jessie Turner where she was a faithful choir member.  
Brenda was united in Holy Matrimony to Mr. Kenneth Robertson and to this blessed union one child was born.  
Before Brenda health begins to fail she worked at the nursing home and at Brookshire Brothers.  
Ms. Brenda loved to cook for her family and friends with good old home cooked meals.  
She had a smile for every one she met. She never met a stranger.  
Brenda was call home to be with her Lord and Savior on Wednesday, June 3, 2009 after fighting a great battle with her illness.  
She is preceded in death by both paternal and maternal grandparents; one infant daughter, Chasity Leaks; and one sister, La Toyia Leaks.  
Brenda leaves to cherish her loving memories: her loving and caring children, Mychael and Mykai Robertson; her devoted parents, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Leaks Jr.; three wonderful brothers, Edward (Carolyn) Leaks, Darrell (Flossie) Leaks both of Bellville and Michael (Loretha) Leaks of Prairie View Texas; four caring and concerned sisters, Regina White, Sharon Leaks, Regina (Robert) Gillum of Bellville and Beverly Jones of Austin; and a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, and a host of relatives and friends.  
Active pallbearers were Donald Nunn, Kevin Bonner, James Bellville, Donnell Washington, Chad Sutton, and R. B. Mills Jr.  
Honorary pallbearers were Mychael Robertson, Edward Leaks, James Leaks, Jr., Clifton Leaks, Darrell Leaks, Roberto Turner, Michael Leaks and Robert Gillum Jr.  
Funeral Services were held at St. John Missionary Baptist Church in Chappell Hill, Texas with Reverend Jessie Turner, officiating. Interment followed at Buckhorn Cemetery. Funeral Arrangements Entrusted by: Miller-Josey Mortuary, LLC in Bellville.  
Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.



**Dennis LaDell Mortensen**  
After a long and valiant fight against cancer during which he never complained, Dennis LaDell Mortensen passed away June 3, in Houston, at the age of 58, surrounded by his loving family.  
Dennis is survived by his wife, Pamela Kay; daughters, Denise Irene of Eagle Lake, Mankato, Minnesota, Jayme Kathryn of San Antonio and Dera Renae of Mankato; sons, Scott LaDell of Eagle Lake, Sierra Vista, Arizona and Bryan Gerald of Mankato; his first wife and mother of his children, Julie Ann of Mankato; and grandson, Isaiah Michael of Mankato; sisters, Shirene Stringer of Mona, Utah, and Carla Rae Hancock of San Diego, California; brothers, Glen of Eagle Lake and Kevin Mortensen of Orem, Utah.  
Dennis was born May 26, 1951, in Payson, Utah, to Dell LeRoy Mortensen and Mary Irene Jones Mortensen.  
He grew up in Springville, Utah, and graduated from Springville High School.  
He worked for A&K Railroad Materials for 40 years and ran the yard in Eagle Lake, from 1991 until the time of his death.  
Dennis loved to fish and hunt, and loved the mountains.  
His work took him all over the United States.  
He enjoyed being on the road however; he loved the West, especially Montana.  
Dennis was a good father and was involved in his children's lives until the end.  
Dennis and Pam loved spending time together and were very happy.  
Dennis was remembered with a memorial service at Eagle Lake Funeral Home on Friday, June 5, and a graveside memorial service in Spanish Fork, Utah, and was interred on Tuesday, June 9.  
There was a viewing at Walker Mortuary in Spanish Fork prior to the service there.  
Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

**Ms. Andrea Pearl Brandburg Downey**  
Andrea Pearl Brandburg Downey, 62, of Sealy, passed away Sunday, May 24, in her home.  
Andrea's beautiful sunrise was April 29, 1947, in San Felipe, to parents L.C. Brandburg and Dorothy Johnson.  
"Pearl" graduated from Sealy Public Schools and went on to become a Certified Lab and X-ray Technician from Houston Community College.  
She was also a member of Downey Chapel. She was a great mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend.  
Andrea is survived by her son, Gregory Blanks and partner, Christina Stilts; grandchildren, DeMontre Blanks, Kaela Blanks, Kenya Blanks, RJ Cardell, Traddeus (Duke) Blanks, Drew Stilts and Miles Marshall; sisters, Doris Polk (Isaac), Helen Tyler (Victor), Tina Laverne Daniels (Edward), and Rosie Lindsey (Darrel); brothers, Lionel Brandburg (Alberta), Nathan Brandburg and Charles Brandburg; and several special people, friend, Earnest Stevenson; nephew, Herman Wayne; and niece, Tammy.  
She is preceded in death by her grandparents, Vada and Hermann Slaughter; and her parents, Dorothy Slaughter Johnson, and L.C. Brandburg.  
Funeral Service was held Saturday May 30, at 11 a.m. at Prairie View AME Church in San Felipe, with Pastor Aluma Phillips, Pastor Melvin Young, Pastor Melvin Gray, and Pastor Bennie R. Paul officiating. Interment was at San Felipe Cemetery in San Felipe. Funeral arrangements entrusted to Miller-Josey Mortuary, LLC in Bellville.  
Pallbearers were Earnest Dabney, Jason Mackey, Anthony McFarland, Bruce Downey, Trent Slaughter, Winston Todd, Michael Jordan and Derrick Dabney.  
Honorary pallbearers were DeMontre Blanks, Hermann Wayne Slaughter, Lionel Brandburg, Jody Slaughter, Nathan Brandburg, Jeremy Tyler, Isaac Polk, Jr., Derrick Slaughter, Victor Valadez, and Terrence Robbins, Jr., Jack Thomas, Damon Robbins, Pat Thomas, McKinley Polk, Warren Thomas, Floyd Polk, Todd Davis, Jerrin McFarland, Charles Brandburg, Adrian Bailey and Gene Hall.  
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## New Arrivals



**Skye Elizabeth Salinas**  
Sarah Dishongh and Nicholas Salinas are pleased to announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, born June 4 at 10:55 a.m. at the Rice Medical Center in Eagle Lake.  
Skye Elizabeth weighed six pounds, eight ounces and measured 20 1/2 inches long.  
Maternal grandparents are Lisa and Rocky Dishongh.  
Paternal grandparents are Javier and Alicia Salinas.  
Great-grandparents are Doris and John Vaughn, Nolan and Flora Dishongh, Susie Ramirez and Rosendo Salinas.

**Bible Verse of The Week**  
"Am I now trying to win the approval of men, or of God? Or am I trying to please men? If I am still trying to please men, I would not be a servant of Christ."  
Galatians 1:10  
Submitted by Donna Samora

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