

OBITUARIES

Skelton

Graveside services with military honors will be held for Kerry Lamond Skelton, 84, at Grandview Memorial Park in La Porte.

Mr. Skelton died Monday, March 25, 2013, in Manor Oaks Nursing Home in Rockdale with his family by his side.

He was born Aug. 18, 1928, in Yantis to Donald Miller and Thelma Blanche (Hathcox) Skelton. The family moved from Yantis to La Porte when he was a senior in high school and it was there that he graduated from high school.

Mr. Skelton joined the U.S. Navy following his graduation in 1946 and served for three years.

After that, he attended and graduated from East Texas State Teachers College with a bachelor of science degree in business.

He then served in the U.S. Air Force for four years before being honorably discharged as first lieutenant.

Due to a severe stroke, Mr. Skelton resided in a nursing home for the last 12 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Billy Don and Jack Miller Skelton; and a brother-in-law, Frank Crump.

Survivors are two sisters, Donna Thomasson and husband Royce of Lubbock, Rose Mary Crump of Rockdale; and a brother, Jerry Skelton and wife Cindy of Rockdale; also, several nieces and nephews.

Caffey

THORNDALE—A celebration of life for Hugh Franklin Caffey Jr., 84, a lifelong resident of Thorndale, was held Monday, March 25, at St. John Lutheran Church in Thorndale with Pastor Mel Stoyer officiating. Burial followed at Thorndale City Cemetery.

Mr. Caffey died Thursday, March 21, in a Temple hospital.

He was born May 23, 1928, to Hugh and Ethel (Jackson) Caffey. Following the untimely death of his mother, he was blessed to have stepmother Hattie (Tucker) Caffey.

Raised during the Great Depression, Mr. Caffey learned to live within his means and be thankful for everything the Lord provided.

After graduating Thorndale High School in 1945, he worked at a local gasoline station for his future in-laws, Alfred E. and Minnie (Moerbe) Becker.

On Jan. 9, 1953, he married Peggy A. Becker.

For 32 years, Mr. Caffey worked in the storeroom at Alcoa plant storeroom, rising through the ranks to become superintendent before his retirement in 1983.

He was actively involved in community service during his working and retirement years including terms as city councilman and mayor of Thorndale.

Mr. Caffey was also a youth baseball coach, bus driver on countless school field trips, and served on the church

council at St. John Lutheran.

He was preceded in death by his father, mother, stepmother, father-in-law and mother-in-law.

Survivors include his wife, Peggy; a daughter, Connie and husband Mike of Thorndale; a son, Dale and wife Shelley of Hewitt; and his grandchildren, Michael Davenport, Johnny Davenport, Paul Davenport, Ryan Davenport, Chelsey (Davenport) Madsen, Jared Caffey and Erica Caffey.

Pallbearers were Ryan Madsen, Neil Weise, Floyd Zuehlke Jr., Meredith Conoley, Ryan Davenport and Jared Caffey.

Memorials may be made to St. John Lutheran Church of Thorndale or to the charity of one's choice.

Sanders

LEXINGTON—Funeral services for Bobby Joe Sanders, 63, of Lexington were held Thursday, March 21, 2013, at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings with Charlie Banks officiating. Burial followed in Whytell Cemetery in Lexington.

Mr. Sanders died March 18 at Seton Medical Center Williamson in Round Rock.

He was born on July 25, 1949 in Cisco to Paul and Dorothy (Snyder) Sanders.

He married Donna Kaye Quinney on Feb. 28, 1981, and was employed in oilfield sales.

Mr. Sanders enjoyed golfing, spending time with the kids and

was a member of Herk's Coffee Club.

He was preceded in death by his father, Paul Sanders; a son, Josh Jones; two brothers, Boogie Sanders and James Sanders; a sister, Gala June; and his mother-in-law, June Quinney.

Survivors are his wife, Donna Kaye Sanders of Lexington; four daughters, Katie Sanders and Quinn Sanders, both of Lexington, Lajeanna Perez of California, Lerrisa Sanders of Houston; his mother, Dorothy and Rex Putman of Robert Lee; two sisters, Paula of San Angelo and Eugina of Robert Lee; a brother, Billy Wayne Sanders of Albany; and his father-in-law, A.D. "Doughbelly" Quinney of Lexington; also, 14 grandchildren, a great-grandchild and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and extended family.

Schmidt

CAMERON—Funeral services for Alice Marie Schmidt, 88, of Cameron will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, March 28, 2013, at First Baptist Church in Cameron with Rev. Gary Maroney officiating. Burial will follow in Oak Hill Cemetery.

Visitation is set for 4 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 27, at Marek-Burns-Laywell Funeral Home in Cameron.

Mrs. Schmidt died Thursday, March 21, in a Cameron nursing facility.

A homemaker, she was born in 1924 to Cecil Buren and Mirtie

(Malone) Mode.

Mrs. Schmidt was a C.H. Yoe High School graduate.

She married John A. Schmidt and he preceded her in death in 1989.

She was a member of First Baptist Church in Cameron, where she was active in WMU and was a Sunday School teacher.

Mrs. Schmidt was a member of the Cameron Book Club and the VFW Ladies Auxiliary.

She was also preceded in death by a sister, Violet Epperson.

Survivors are three sons, Edward N. Whitley, Jr. of Arlington, Joseph C. Schmidt of Commerce, John A. Schmidt of Temple; and three daughters, Sherri Clore Angell Green of McKinney, Violte (Bette) Whitley Sanders of New Braunfels, Anna Marie Schmidt Kleinschmidt of Lexington; also, 13 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Baptist Student Ministry Mission Fund, 1612 Lee St., Commerce, TX 75428, Attn: Joe Schmidt.

Sheckels

CAMERON—Lillian Sheckels, 87, of Cameron died Sunday, March 24th, in Central Texas Hospital in Cameron.

Private family services will be held at a future date.

Mrs. Sheckels was born April 14, 1925, in Waller County to Pat and Lena (Barnett) Feagin.

She married Thomas Sheckels on Feb. 11, 1969, in Rockdale and

he preceded her in death on Jan. 18, 2005.

Mrs. Sheckels was a member of Kingdom Hall Jehovah's Witness.

Survivors are a daughter, Florence Pendleton and husband Frank of Buckholts; a brother, Melvin Feagin of Conroe; and three grandchildren, Leslie Iverson of Beaverton, Oregon, Johnnie Williams of Katy, Laurie Hooter of Cameron; also, 11 great-grandchildren.

Kendle

AUSTIN—Services for George Haywood Kendle, 83, were held Saturday, March 23, at First Baptist Church



(Heflin Lane) in Austin. Interment was in Evergreen Cemetery.

Mr. Kendle died Monday, March 18.

He was born

Jan. 14, 1930, in Rockdale to Pearl Crayton Kendle and Henry Robert Kendle Sr.

Survivors include his wife of 54 years, Flora Sutton Kendle; and five daughters, Selena Ann Ledbetter Jackson (James), Cornell Sutton, Charlotte "Kaye" Kendle-Dodson (Vincent), Tammy Hobbs and Krystal Kendle-Anderson (Kervin); also, a host of other relatives and friends.

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Annual MARC Run set for April 13th

The 12th annual MARC RUN brought to you by The Bad To The Bone Riders of Rockdale will take place on April 13 at The Ranch 415 W. US 79 in Rockdale, organizer Charles Starr. This annual ride benefits The MARC (Milam Adult Resource Center) of Milam County serves all Milam County Adult Residents with physical and learning disabilities.

The MARC is a 501c3 Organization (non-profit organization) that depends on this fund-raiser to be a major resource to keep serving the consumers that it does. MARC teaches these consumers valuable life skills that most people take for granted in day to day life.

In the 11-year history of The MARC Run it has donated 100 proceeds of the proceeds from its rides to the MARC amounting to about \$110,000 over the years. This year's ride will start and stop at The Ranch 415 W. Hwy 79 in Rockdale.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. with first bike out at 11 a.m. The ride fee is \$20 for rider and \$25 with a passenger. The ride fee does include a barbecue meal with all the trimmings after the ride for all participants of the ride.

They will also sell plates to the general public from 11:30 a.m. until sold out day of

run. There will be long sleeve T-shirts for sale by pre-order only for \$25 with a order deadline of March 4 by calling Cynthia at 512-698-2784. They will have short sleeve ride shirts for \$20 the day of ride. The ride will take us through some nice ride roads in Milam, Lee and Burleson Counties.

Stops/sponsors on the ride are Cyndi's Hawg Hang Out in Hogg, Cliff's Tavern in Rockdale, Bob's Steakhouse in Cameron, Nat's in Milano and The Ranch in Rockdale.

The last bike in will be at 4 p.m. at The Ranch and a meal provided for all participants of the ride. Beginning at 4:30 p.m. a live auction will begin with auctioneer John Fisher.

"The live auction always promises something for everyone and for all taste," Starr said. They will also have a 50/50 drawing, DJ music and door prizes. Plaques will be given out for oldest rider, oldest bike, newest bike and MARC Consumers Choice.

"Please come out and help us support this group of very special people that are so near and dear to our hearts," Starr said. For more information about this ride or to donate auction items please contact Charles Starr, 512-540-2561 or Neal Ferrell, 512-299-7446.

Gospel jamboree set for April 7 in Giddings

By PAUL SCHLESINGER



Lee County Cowboy Church band, Second Chance, will host the Country Gospel Jamboree Sunday, April 7, in Giddings High School auditorium. Admission is free.

Tired of what is passing for music today on the radio? If so, make plans to attend the first annual Country Gospel Jamboree, to be held Sunday, April 7, at the Giddings High School auditorium.

The opry-style show will kick off at 7 p.m. and will be hosted by Second Chance, the band of the Lee County Cowboy Church. Admission is free.

Second Chance will be backing a select group of area talent well versed in traditional, country-flavored gospel music. Guests include Lexington's own Matt Everett and the Lexington Quartet, opry favorite Allison Crowson of Brenham, the music ministry of Lexington's Tommy and Cindy Hart, and the popular Golden Oldie Show, featuring John Youngblood and Larry Nichols of Taylor.

The Second Chance group also consists of well-known area musicians and entertainers, including singer and songwriter Joe Boyd Reynolds of Lexington, fiddler and vocalist Paul Schlesinger of Taylor, bassist Curtis Krause and his daughter, the instrumentally versatile Kimberlyn Krause, both of Giddings.

All of the entertainers scheduled to appear will be playing a mixture of classic country gospel tunes, old time hymns, and several original songs sure to get you in the Spirit.

The show is presented in a non-denominational format, and is sponsored by Second Chance, the music ministry of Tommy and Cindy Hart, and the Lee County Cowboy Church.

For more information, contact Joe Boyd Reynolds at 979-450-0308 or Paul Schlesinger at 512-352-3665.

MANOR OAKS NEWS

Our Community Easter Egg Hunt is this Friday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. We are so excited to have participation from Rockdale i-Tigers and Project Graduation.

We will have food, vendors, entertainment and the great Easter Egg Hunt. Please come join us. Congratulations to Ricky Olivarrez for being our March Employee of the Month. He will do anything

he is asked and so much more. Great job, Ricky.

Our March Resident of the Month is Ricky Turner. He has been such a delight and great addition to our facility. He motivates and entertains our other residents. Everyone enjoys his quick wit and wonderful smile.

The first Thursday of every month we celebrate our resident

birthdays at 10 a.m.

Beginning at 11 a.m. we invite all family members to join us for our Family Service Committee Meeting. At 4 p.m. we have a support meeting for those families dealing with Alzheimer's and Dementia.

All of these meetings on the First Thursday of every month are open to the public and we

appreciate our community support.

We are now accepting the Scott & White Health Plan.

Manor Oaks is located at 222 S FM 487 and is a non-profit organization. We depend on the support of our community.

For more information, call Michelle Morgan at 512-446-5893.

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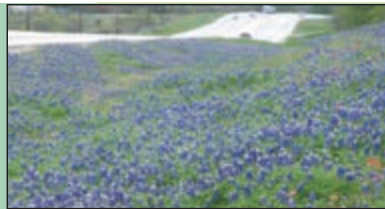
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