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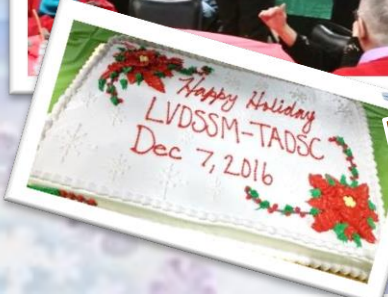
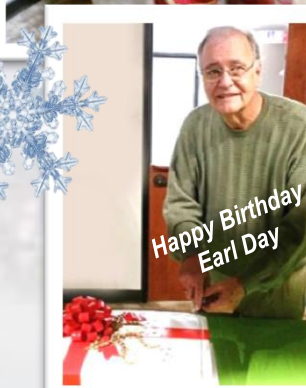
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## *La Vista Deaf Seniors of San Marcos and Travis Association of the Deaf Senior Citizens 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Luncheon*

*December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016*







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SENIOR CITIZENS MEETING  
First Wednesday of the month at  
1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.  
South Austin Senior Activity Center  
3911 Manchaca Road  
Austin, Texas 78704

**January 4, 2017**

Welcome Newly Elected  
TADSC Officers

**February 1, 2017**

Communication Access  
Alma Pizarro-Gould

**March 1, 2017**

LVDSSM Field Trip  
TO BE ANNOUNCED

**April 5, 2017**

**May 3, 2017**

The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual TADSC  
PICNIC

**June 7, 2017**

TADSC Field trip  
TO BE ANNOUNCED



Wednesday, December 7, 2016 we  
one hundred two (102) seniors and  
guests celebrated LVDSSM and  
TADSC Holiday Luncheon at Austin  
Deaf Club from 11:00 am until 4:00  
pm. Two beautiful decorated cakes  
were available for dessert.  
Everybody enjoyed the food and  
meeting old friends. (More pictures  
on Website: [www.DSCASM.com](http://www.DSCASM.com))

**CHRISTMAS DOOR PRIZES \$25.00**



Betty Thrasher



Sally Porter



Charlene Bryan



Tennie Sessions



Tom Compton



Marilyn Swanson



Nga Harmon



Barbara Brunson



Patsy Compton

### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- |                      |                     |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| 3 Farek, Sue N.      | 18 Marie Poss       |
| 3 Montalvo, Mario    | 19 Guerry, Robby    |
| 4 Hoffman, Rosie     | 19 Metcalf, Larry   |
| 7 Alvarez, Glenda    | 19 Vahalik Marcus   |
| 7 Duncan, Diana      | 21 Ramis, Marie     |
| 8 Walker, Patsy      | 21 Burkett, Kenneth |
| 14 Hovinga, Sharon   | 22 Carter, Barbara  |
| 15 McNabb, Billy     | 22 Newberry, Fred   |
| 16 Alexander, Joel   | 22 Sessions, Tennie |
| 16 Cummings, Charles | 24 Bargsley, James  |
| 16 Giacona, Jack     | 24 Basham, Juanita  |
| 17 Holloway, Betty   | 25 Jasso, Connie    |
| 25 Montalvo, Charm   |                     |
| 25 Piper, Cynthia    |                     |
| 25 Ramis, Alan       |                     |
| 26 Cordova, Dolores  |                     |
| 28 Garza, Nicholas   |                     |
| 28 Lorenz, Bubba     |                     |
| 31 McGaugh, Rosemary |                     |



George Becker



Alan Stein

### The 1992 TADSC 25<sup>th</sup> YEAR CELEBRATION FUNDRAISING



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## Betty and Larry Evans



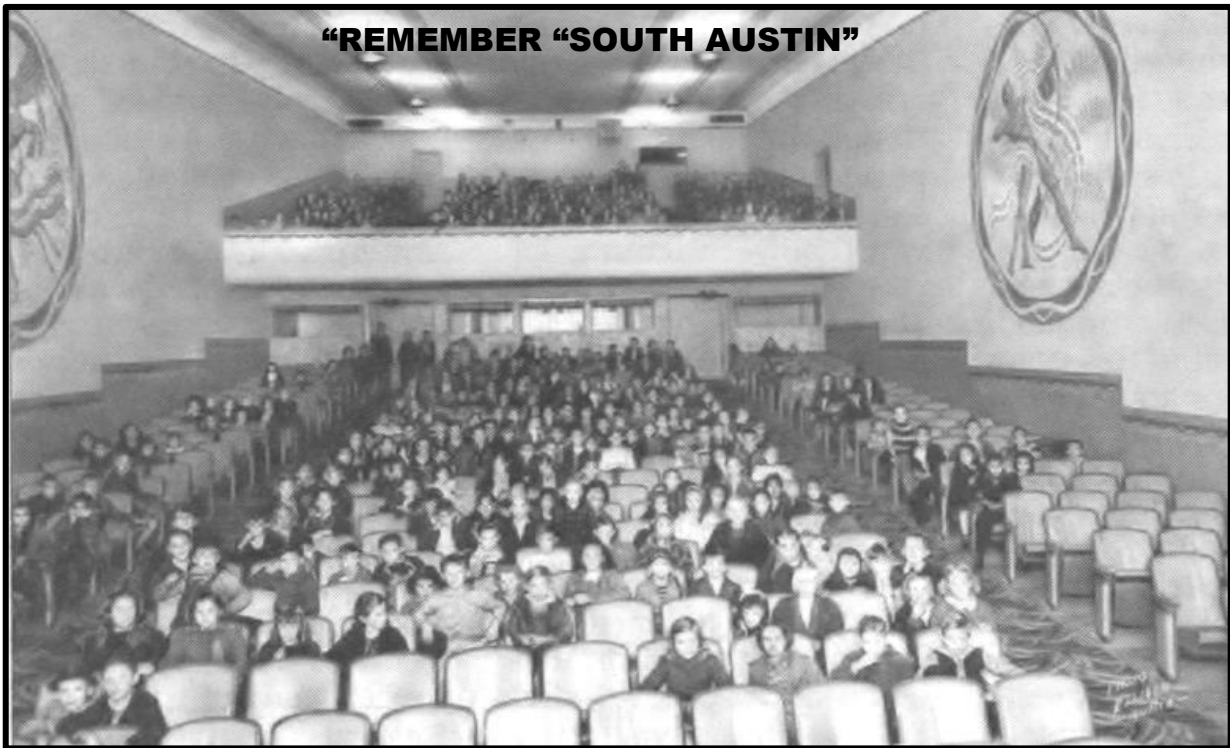
December 28, 2016 *Betty Bounds-Evans* was settled in a memory care facility. The address is: Sodalis Memory Care, 11013 Signal Hill Drive, Austin, Texas 78737. This is on Highway 290 toward Dripping Springs. The road leading to the facility is between McCoy Lumber and Reid Dry Cleaner. Visitors are allowed any time of the day. "This is a pleasant looking place." (Submitted by Larry Evans)

## MARIE (PORTER) RAMOS VISIT AT LA VISTA



Left to Right; Sitting row: Charlene Bryan, Thomas Holloway, Tennie Session, and Vivian Hesser. Back row: Beverly Duncan, Charm and Mario Montalvo, Marie Porter, Betty and Glenn Thrasher, and Morris Porter. Marie (Porter) Ramos, TSD 1955 came to San Antonio for the holidays. Marie brought many old pictures for her friends who went to Texas School for the Deaf. Marie visited some of her old friends at La Vista. She will return back home to Oakland, California. She really enjoyed seeing all of her friends.

## "REMEMBER "SOUTH AUSTIN"



An audience of children sit in the Austin Theater, in photo likely taken sometime in the 1950s. You remembered when you were TSD students; you walked, with groups of students with a houseparent to the Austin Theater on South Congress Ave to see the movie every Saturday afternoon. The Austin and the Varsity still stand with marquees, but have been repurposed as offices and shops, while the State was transformed with a stage into a live theater managed in tandem with the Paramount Theater. (by Austin History Center and Austin American-Statesman-December 25, 2016)





La Vista Deaf Seniors of San Marcos are having a meeting on January 12, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. at La Vista Retirement Community Center.

**Mark your Calendar!**

## LA VISTA HOLIDAY LUNCHEON



### Interpreters with Deaf Parents and San Marcos Interpreter Services

On Saturday, **December 3, 2016** they invited La Vista residents and friends to La Vista Community Center in San Marcos. They provided a wonderful holiday lunch. They gave out many nice prizes. They made sure everyone had a good time.



Patti Wilson



Juanita Basham & Billy Collins



Larry Barnett, Chairperson for Interpreters with Deaf Parents and San Marcos Interpreter Services



Left to Right; Sitting: Virginia Ruebush, Vivian Hesser, Margaret Fewell, Juanita Basham, Patti Wilson, and John Hesser

On Thursday, **December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016** Virginia Ruebush hosted a small Christmas party at her home. After supper, they played games all that evening. They enjoyed themselves. (Photo by Vivian Hesser)

## 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday



Saturday, **December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016** Marian Seale was honored on her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday with a party hosted by her daughter Kay Anthony of McKinney, Texas, and family at La Vista Community Center in San Marcos. About 60 family and friends helped to celebrate her birthday party. Morris Porter sang "Happy Birthday to Marian". They served BBQ beef chopped, potato salad, beans, ice tea, coffee and two cakes. She enjoyed her birthday party. After the party, Marian went with her daughter and son in law back to McKinney, Texas for Christmas Holidays. (Photo by Vivian Hesser)



## Christmas Luncheon

On December 25, 2016



Left to Right: First row; Vicki Hudson, John & Vivian Hesser, Virginia Ruebush; Second row; Leon Hudson, Corinne Valadez, Mario Montalvo, June Bertram, Earl Day, Henry Harvard, Back row; Cindy Ledford, Charm Montalvo, Jack Campbell, Bill Alvarez, James Maxwell, George Becker, and Barbara Carter.



Left to Right: First row; Sallie Curtis, Betty & Russell Healey, Edith Hebert, Second row; Barbie Vicencio, Katie Briscoe, Beverly Duncan, Maria Gonzales, Sharon Gonzalez, Jeff Duncan, Back row; Nancy Pinto, Fred Newberry, and Kate Doering. (Photo by Barbie Vicencio)

### LVDSSM CHRISTMAS DOOR PRIZE WINNERS



Left to Right: Anthony Pinto, Ira Rothenberg, Darlena Hawkins, Jack Mitchell, Mary Sandell, Mario Montalvo, Betty Healey, Corennia Valadez, and Henry Harvard.

On Sunday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016 thirty-nine (39) La Vista residents decided to take Christmas dinner at La Vista Community Center. Salt Grass Steak House of San Marcos catered grilled chicken, sausage, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, salad, rolls, butter, a beautiful cake and iced tea. *Thank to Jim Maxwell for making iced tea.* They enjoyed themselves. (Photo by Barbie Vicencio and Vivian Hesser).



### A Dozen of Red Roses



Left to Right: Virginia Ruebush, Juanita Basham, Darlene Polson, Barbie Vicencio, and Margaret Fewell.

On Wednesday, December 14, 2016, Six members of A Dozen of Red Roses went to New Braunfels, Texas, for Gruene River Grill Luncheon. They exchanged Christmas gifts. They enjoyed themselves.





## RECIPE

### Blue-Ribbon Pizza Casserole

By Texas-Coop Power



1 pound lean ground beef  
1 jar (24 ounces) pasta sauce  
3 cups elbow macaroni, cooked al dente and drained  
4 cups shredded mozzarella cheese  
1 cup grated Parmesan cheese  
1 cup sliced pepperoni  
1 green bell pepper cored and sliced into thin rings

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Lightly coat interior of a 9-by 13-inch baking dish with cooking spray.
  2. Brown ground beef in a large skillet. Stir in pasta sauce and cooked macaroni, and then remove from heat.
  3. Spread half the beef mixture in the bottom of the baking dish. Sprinkle 2 cups mozzarella cheese. Repeat layers.
  4. Sprinkle the Parmesan cheese evenly on top, then scatter with the pepperoni slices and green pepper rings.
  5. Bake 35 minutes, or until the cheese is bubbly and lightly browned. Serves 10-12.
- (Glenn Brunson likes Pizza Casserole recipe).



### SO CUTE "Holly"!



Santa Claus brought a new puppy to Joanne Easley in Fredericksburg, Texas last month. She is named "Holly."



Nga Harmon celebrated New Year's Eve on December 31, 2016 at the Austin Association of the Deaf. Nga just moved to Austin from San Jose, California after she retired. She is a TADSC member.

## RENEWAL MEMBERS AND NEW MEMBERS:

Reynaldo Carrillo, Minnie Collins, Alfred Crager, Shirley Dye, Patricia Fair, Sherrian Fewell, Dorothy Floyd, Carroll Frazier, Velma Gentile, Jean Haruch, Virginia Holdridge, Samuel Jones, Joe Keyes, Ken McLellan, Van Nelson, Melvia Nomeland, Lorene Strothers, Peter Wright.

**DONATIONS TO TADSC:** Ken McLellan donated to TADSC in memory of Robert Ed Easley, Thank you. Ken McLellan donated to TADSC, Thank you. Melvia Nomeland donated to TADSC, Thank you.

## Christmas Tripoley Party

At Susan Kallina's home December 17, 2016



Left to Right: Janet Morris, Brenda Oates, Barbie Vicencio, Beth Hill, Sally Porter, Brenda Mills, Barbara Brunson, and Susan Kallina



The TADSC members have been playing Tripoley, the card game, every third Saturday night of the month. We exchanged Christmas gifts. Susan served a good dinner and dessert. Susan, the judge, gave small gifts for the best Christmas outfits: First Place, Charlene Giacona, and Second Place, Brenda Mills. Everyone enjoyed themselves.



## Happy 24<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

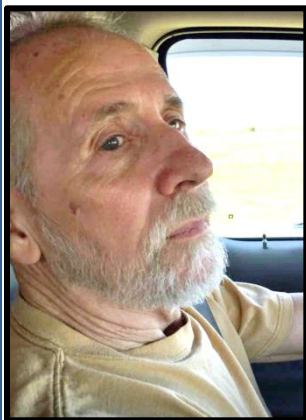
John and Vivian Hesser celebrated their 24<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on December 31, 2016 at La Vista Community Center in San Marcos, Texas.



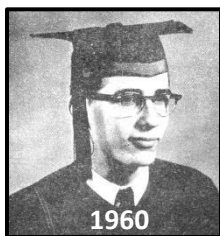
## In Memoriam

### Joe Cleveland Arrington

1940-2016



Joe Cleveland Arrington, 76 passed away on Thursday, December



15, 2016 in Llano Texas. Joe graduated from the Texas School for the Deaf 1960 in Austin, Texas. He was born November 7, 1940 in

Jacksonville, Texas. He was preceded in death by his parents C.J. & Edean Arrington. *No Details are available right now.*

### Bob Jarrell Barlow

1927-2016



Bob Jarrell Barlow, 89 passed away on Thursday, December



15, 2016 in Mesquite, Texas. He was born on October 19, 1927 to Mr.

and Mrs. L.V. Barlow in Dallas, Texas. He graduated from Texas School for the Deaf 1949 in Austin, Texas. *No Details are available right now.*

### Mary Eileen (McElroy) Hurne

1953-2016



Mary Eileen (McElroy) Hurne, age 63, of Austin, Texas, was called home by our Heavenly Father, on Friday, December 16, 2016. She was preceded in death by her parents, Philip and Margaret McElroy, and her brother, Guy Faull. Mary is survived

by her husband, Ronald E. Hurne, her daughter and son-in-law, Josie and Michael Seger; her son, Ronald E. Hurne Jr; her brothers, Brain, John, Patrick, Philip, and Tim McElroy and Wayne Fenner, her sisters, Terri Smith, Mary Hazel, Diane Cuccolo, Dawn Early, and Bonnie Politte, and her step-mother, Marie McElroy and many more friends and family. Mary was born in West Orange, NJ, but collected as many miles and memories as she did friends throughout her life. She was a beloved member and attendee of many Deaf communities across the United States, including the Austin Deaf Club, the Dallas Deaf Club, the Deaf Red Hat Society, and many more. Her kind and loving soul will never be forgotten by the family she left behind, nor by the friends did she embrace as family. *(Interment will follow at Gate of Heaven Cemetery, 225 Ridgedale Ave., East Hanover, New Jersey 07936.)*

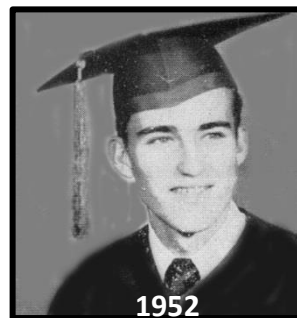
### Raymond J. Lero

1932 - 2016



Raymond J. Lero "Papparay" 84 of Bryan, TX passed away in his home surrounded by his family and loved ones on Friday December 16, 2016. He was born August 29, 1932 to parents Mike and Josephine Lero. Raymond graduated from the Texas School for the Deaf 1952 in Austin,

Texas. It was at this school where he met his beautiful wife Gail Bellnoski Lero. Raymond and Gail were married for 52 Years and had three beautiful children.



PappaRay is survived by his son, Don Lero; daughter-in-law Andrea Havel Lero; grandson, Garrett Lero; daughter, Bev Lero and her fiancé Kimberley Savinon. Raymond retired from Allen Oldsmobile after 25 years of working as a mechanic. A job he loved and was dedicated to. He is preceded in death by his wife Gail, parents Mike & Josephine, son Larry Lero, and two sisters Anita Allen and Barbara Simek. Papparay spent the last



few years of his life fulfilling a bucket list, going wherever his wheelchair would take him. He enjoyed a cruise to the Caribbean, a trip to Colorado where he saw snow for the first time while riding a train to the top of Pikes Peak, and found a new favorite restaurant after dining at Hooters for the first time. To say that he was a Rockstar in his own right is an understatement. He will be truly missed! Visitation will be held at Joe Lee Smith. Relatives and friends are invited to the The funeral will be held at Memorial Funeral Chapel on Wednesday, December 21<sup>st</sup> at 10 am. Following the service a graveside service will be held at Mt Calvary Cemetery.

### ***Roger Jerry Spivey***

1939-2016



Roger J. Spivey, age 77 went to be with the Lord on December 17, 2016. He was at home, and had suffered a heart attack. Mr. Spivey was born in Hargill, Texas on July 31, 1939, to Julius and Veloye Spivey. Roger attended Texas School for the Deaf (TSD) in Austin, Texas from 1947-1958. He

went on to attend an Electrical trade school, and Stevenson Auto in Kansas City, MO. In 1959, He opened a small appliance business in Harlingen, Texas. He moved to Houston in 1963 and received his Chevy certification for body work, and worked in body shops of a few car dealers. He enjoyed photography and took pictures of players at football games, for The Houston chronicle, and Bassin'Gals tournaments part time. Roger also worked at several jobs such as bail bonds man & videographer for an attorney, and friend Frank Hale. Then finally Roger worked managing a Landscaping business for his daughter Cary, till present. He was an active member of Bay Area Club for the Deaf in Pasadena, Texas, Houston Bass Club of the Deaf, Houston Deaf Senior Citizens (HDSC), volunteer with staffs of HDSC newsletter, co-host of ASL Social, and host of HandTalk social. He is preceded by his parents, Julius and Veloye Sprivey and his sister, Angel Smith. He is survived by his beloved daughter Cary Spivey Morgan, his

Three granddaughters, Chantal & Troy Nicholes, Clorissa Morgan, and Chayla Morgan, and two great-grandsons, Cohen Nicholes, and Bentley Nicholes. Also survived by nephew Lee Smith & Time Smith, niece Charm Smither and brother-in-law Joe Lee Smith. Graveside service will be on January----- at Fall Creek Cemetery in Spicewood, Texas 78669 near Austin, Texas. You are welcome to bring a rose to place on his casket, his casket will be closed.

### ***Virginia Joan (Wright) Stovall***

1933-2016



Virginia Joan Stovall, age 83, passed away on Sunday, December 22, 2016 in Austin, Texas. Joan was born in Glazier, Texas on January 3, 1933, to Sidney Clinton & Annie Bell Money Wright. Joan attended the Texas School for the Deaf in Austin, Texas. She is survived by Lewis Stovall, loving

husband of 37 years of San Marcos, Texas. Daughter, Cindy Ledford and husband Roger, of Algood, Tenn. Grandchildren, Racheal Wilson of Fenwick, WV; Joshua Taylor and wife , Sarah, of Cabot, AR; Dora England and husband, Don of Bloomington, IL; and Charles Taylor and wife, Nicole, of Jacksonville, NC. great-grandchildren, Morgan and Levi Wilson; Jacob, Blaine, and Harper Taylor; Brody England; and Elias Taylor. Step-daughters, Cindy Wolf and husband, Bob of McKinney, Texas; Sheri Christianson of McKinney, Texas; and Lisa Preston of Dallas, Texas; thirteen step-grandchildren. One sister, Margaret Dowdy and husband, Glen, of Amarillo, Texas; and one brother, Larry Wright and wife, Marie, of Clarendon, Texas, Several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by son, Edwin Jameson Spencer, sisters Maxine Richardson, Mildred Owens, Mary Ann Hart, Sharon Pitcock, and Sandra Griffin, brothers, Walter and Jack Wright.





## ***Bonnie Beth Ramsey***

1953-2016



Bonnie Beth Ramsey, age 63, of Austin, Texas passed away on Friday, December 9, 2016 in San Antonio, Texas. Bonnie was born on November 1, 1953 in Austin, Texas to James B Ramsey, III, of South Padre Island, Texas, and the late Betty Ramsey. Bonnie was a beautiful, bright, blue-eyed young lady with a passion for life. She was a deaf person with no hearing from the day she was born. Her father is a retired Colonel in the United States Air Force, giving his children an opportunity to grow up all over the country and live on various Air Force bases. She enjoyed the experience of being a daughter of a parent in the United States military. Bonnie's early education commenced at the Great Yarmouth School for the Deaf in the U.K. She enjoyed being with family and friends, cruises, walking on the beach, yoga and dancing. Her greatest joys in life were her family and her dog, Bohdi. She is survived by her father, James B. Ramsey, III, brother, James B Ramsey IV, two nephews, four great nieces and nephews. The graveside service and interment will be conducted on Saturday following the funeral service at Happy Valley Memorial Park.

## ***Jenice (Robinson) Wells***

1940-2016



Jenice Wells, 76, went to be with the Lord on Tuesday, December 27, 2016. She was born on January 30, 1940, in Alba, Texas. Her parents were Ben A and Olga May Robinson. Jenice married the love of her life, Tommy Edd Wells, on August 19, 1961, in Lubbock, Texas. She attended the Texas School for the Deaf in Austin, Texas, and was

involved in many school activities. She worked for the United States Post Office for 22 years. She was a dedicated and hard worker. She was a devoted and loving wife, mother and grandmother. She was very proud of her family and was excited to become a grandmother to 7 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. She loved holidays, family gatherings, and any chance to spend time with her family, because it was precious to her. She would spend her time baking and cooking new things for her family to eat. She also enjoyed crafting and knitting; she was very creative in her crafts. She was known for her sweet, selfless, and loving personality, hearty meals, and freshly baked cookies and pies. Time spent with her were marked by love laughter and contentment. She is survived by her husband, Tommy Wells; two daughters Doris Comeau and Connie Vivas; four granddaughters; three grandsons along with her great-grandchildren. She will be greatly missed by all of her family and friends.

***Honor your loved one***

**Place an obituary in the  
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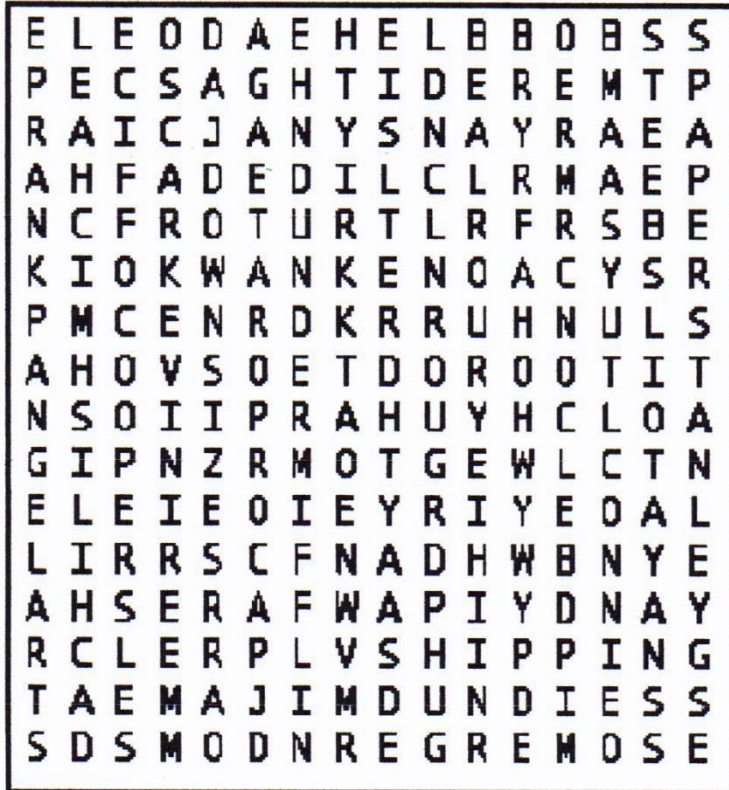
## ***Lewis and Joan Stovall Family***



Lewis Stovall (center) and family attended the memorial service for Joan Stovall January 3, 1933-December 22, 2016 at La Vista Community Center in San Marcos, Texas.



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