

OBITUARIES

Elsie Mae Lynn

Funeral services for Elsie Mae Lynn, 80, of Paducah, were held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, April 25, at the First United Methodist Church of Matador. Officiating was Rev. Mary Helen Cross, pastor. Interment was in East Mound Cemetery at Matador, under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home.

Mrs. Lynn died at 8:30 p.m. Thursday at Woods Convalescent Center in Paducah, following a lengthy illness.

The former Elsie Mae Mohling was born June 3, 1912, at Butler, Oklahoma. She attended college at Weatherford, Oklahoma, and taught school in Oklahoma for several years. She was married to Lonzo L. Lynn on July 31, 1932. They moved to Motley County in 1937 from Oklahoma, and lived in the Whiteflat community for twenty-three years prior to moving to Matador. Mrs. Lynn had lived in Paducah since August 1989.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Matador.

She was preceded in death by her husband, in 1979, and by a daughter, Virginia Lee Lynn in 1943. She was also preceded in death by two grandchildren,

Carla Lynn Colwell, and Michael Robert Morton.

Her survivors include: two sons, Lonnie E. Lynn of Childress and Alvin Ray Lynn of Dumas; six daughters, Carlene Lynn Colwell of Paducah; Joyce Lynn Morton, of Cleveland, Daphene Lynn Jolley of Dalhart, Glenda Lynn Burditt of Dumas, Ruthie Lynn McCallie of Boys Ranch, and Gail Lynn Noland of Floydada; two brothers, Charlie Mohling of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and Melvin Mohling of Bells, Texas; one sister, Elma Steward of Modesto, California; twelve grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Serving as pallbearers were Lacy Colwell, Stephen Davis, Trey McCallie, Tony McCallie, Charlie McCallie, Aaron Noland, Phillip Cameron, and Kevin Radabaugh.

Named as honorary pallbearers were Clay Jameson, Roy Grundy, Garland Cartwright, C.D. Garrison, and Margarito Saucedo.

The family has suggested memorials to "Meals on Wheels" at Paducah, or a favorite charity.

R.A. Stafford

Services for R.A. Stafford, 76, of Matador will be held at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, April 29, in First Baptist Church in Matador with the Rev. Gaylon Cox, pastor, officiating.

Burial will be in East Mound Cemetery under direction of Seigler Funeral Home.

Stafford died at 7:20 a.m. Tuesday in Lubbock Methodist Hospital after a lengthy illness.

He was born in Motley County and

Geneva Bain

Services are pending for Geneva Bain, 78, of Wichita Falls. She died in a Weath-

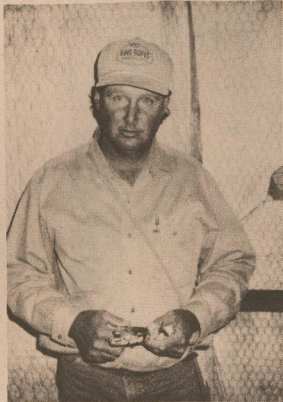
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Hundreds Watch Winners Take Home Prizes At Annual Drag A Ranch Steer Roping At Burleson Field.



David Boykin, winner of the bits made by Wade Brannon of Silverton.

Professional and Novice Ropers gathered to compete in Team and Steer Ropings at Burleson Arena, Flomot, over the last weekend of April, 1993.

Big prize for the weekend was the two horse CM trailer that went to the winner of the "open steer roping" on Sunday afternoon. Marty Jones pulled the trailer to his home at Hobbs, New Mexico. The winning average for his time was 52.62, beating thirty-four other outstanding ropers for the best time. Coming in second was his brother, Delynn Jones also from Hobbs.

The matched-roping between two national finals steer roping competitors, Guy Allen and Tee Woolman was too

close for comfort when Tee Woolman had the faster time of the day on the six head, 126.35. Tee is from Llano, Texas and Guy from Vinita, Oklahoma.

Sunday morning begins early for the Senior Steer Ropers and this 1993 April morning was no different. Twenty-seven senior steer ropers were competing for the best time on four head and the winner of the super seniors was John Ray Powell from Eldorado, Texas with a time of 88.09. Second super senior was Don MacLaughlin, Fort Collins, Colorado with a time of 117.68. Senior ISRA winner was Jeff Smith, Aspermont, with a time of 79.86. Sam Falks, Amarillo, with a time of 87.65 was second. Besides the monetary prize the Burleson Arena gave breast collars made by Alvin Durham, Roaring Springs, to first place.

Saturday was a competitive day for the seventy-six ISRA Ropers. In the "A" Roping division Phil Longacre from Wann, Oklahoma took home a pair of spurs made by Wayne Dollar. For his low time of 65.71, second place went to Bucky Hefner, Chelsa, Oklahoma with a time of 71.16. In the "B" division by the ISRA competition from Tulia, was Elmo Sorrells with a time of 58.44. Roper Ted Daugherty, Silverton, went home with second place, having a time of 72.54. These men received spurs for first and rope bags for second places.

The last event of the evening was a novice steer roping in which thirty-three ropers were competing for first place. A time of 50.35, second place went to Lance Thornberry, Clarendon with a time of 55.30.

Over four hundred teams competed in the three numbered ropings at the Friday night team ropings. Carl Alford from Hereford was stock contractor and pro-

ducer. Top prize of the evening was a twister saddle that was won by Steve Purcella, Hereford.

Mitch Ross, Floydada, won the gate drawing, bits, made by Wade Brannon, Silverton. Curt Robinson, Pendleton, Oregon, was the weekend announcer and

Bennie Regan, Quitaque, helped introduce the ropers on Saturday and Sunday. Smith Bros. of Denton were the Stock Contractor for the steers. A beautiful Spring evening brought the weekend of ropings to a close.

IRS Says, "Come Back"

According to Gary O. Booth, IRS District Director for Dallas District, "If you haven't filled past years' tax returns, the best gift you can give yourself is an appointment at the Amarillo office this Thursday April 29, 1993. The Amarillo IRS office (205 E. Fifth Street, Room 119) will be staffed between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to help taxpayers get right with their government.

This is an ongoing effort sponsored by the IRS to help taxpayers who have failed to file past years' returns. Booth commented, "What struck me about those who have come in for help is the sense of tremendous relief they expressed.

"One young couple hadn't filed for three years and that fact alone had been a source of considerable anxiety in their marriage. When they saw that they owed taxes for 1988, they weren't very convinced that they were doing what was best for them. Yet, as their assistant worked through tax years 1989, 1990, and 1991, refunds wiped out that first year's liability, and they even wound up with a small refund.

"A trucker stopped filing in 1989, the year his wife had to have emergency surgery. Filing his tax return was not his

first priority. While his wife recovered and he got his affairs in better order, he was afraid to file subsequent tax returns because he thought for sure he'd be going to jail. We helped him, too. He worked out an installment plan to pay off what he owes, and he's still trucking."

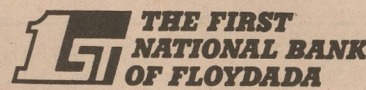
Booth says that taxpayers who owe IRS returns owe it to themselves to get back into the system. "For many, it is fear that creates a barrier. We see our job as making it as easy as possible for taxpayers to comply. Many may have paid in withholding or estimated tax payments which are held in credit to their accounts and if they owe us, we can work out payment arrangements to bring them square with us."

"This time of year puts us all in the frame of mind for a fresh start. I want to assure taxpayers that we sincerely want to help. Our experience has shown that most people want to file overdue returns and settle their affairs with the government," Booth continued, "and from our own vantage point, if we can help people back into the system on their own, we will not have to focus on more costly enforcement efforts later."

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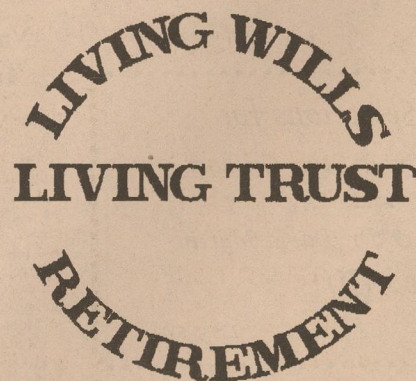
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