

The following excerpts were taken from Page 6A - The Carlsbad (NM) Current Argus - January 13, 2000

BAIZA

funeral services for Reynaldo Ornelas Baiza, 88, will be on January 14 at Calvary Assembly of God. Interment will follow at Carlsbad Cemetery. Mr. Baiza died January 10 at Lakeview Christian Home of the Southwest Inc., Northgate Unit. Denton-Funchess Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. He was born October 3, 1911, to Pedro S. and Teresa L. Ornelas Baiza in Candelaria, Texas. He grew up near Valentine, Texas. In 1931, they moved to Carlsbad. He was a pastor for many years with several Spanish Assembly of God churches in southeast New Mexico. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Maria Herrera, on December 29, 1978, and his second wife, Beatrice Gonzales, on January 21, 1996. Survivors include sons, Paul Baiza of Lubbock, Texas, Ish Baiza of Moab, Utah, Danny Baiza of Roswell, NM, and Lee Baiza of Globe, Ariz.; daughter, Betty Thompson of Carlsbad; sisters, Lupe Baiza and Anita Moreno of Carlsbad; 11 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren. (Photo shown of Baiza)

The following excerpts were taken from page 8 - The Artesia (NM) Daily Press - September 7, 1999

BEAN

Graveside services are scheduled for Thursday, September 9 at Twin Oaks Memorial Park for MAGGIE M. BEAN of 504 W. Washington. BEAN, 87 died on September 5 at Artesia Good Samaritan Center. BEAN was born on July 5, 1912, in Mountainair, NM, to Albert G. Bailey and Monnie (Cook) Bailey. She married Robert E. Bean on January 4, 1930, in Estancia, NM. He preceded her in death on September 9, 1979. Survivors include sons Earl C. Bean of Houston, TX and Albert F. Bean of Kansas City, MO; sister Ruth Gooch of Denver City, TX.

The following excerpts were taken from Page 6A - The Carlsbad (NM) Current Argus - February 18, 2000

BEAVER

Services will be February 19 at Church Street Church of the Nazarene, for William Leroy Beaver, 58. Interment will follow at Carlsbad Cemetery. He died February 16 at his home. Denton-Funchess Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. He was born March 18, 1941, to Lester and Margaret I. Stayrook Beaver in Fairview, Pa. He was raised in Longfellow, Pa. He attended Lewiston High School and then Chief Logan High School. He moved to Carlsbad in 1959. He married Phyllis N. Burton in 1961. Survivors include his wife of Carlsbad; daughters, Priscilla Rhodes of Carlsbad, and Patrilla Wright of Hobbs, NM; brothers, Fred Beaver of Wilmington, Del., and Theodore Beaver of Council Bluffs, Iowa; sisters, Helen Shotzberger and Esther Peck of Lewiston, Pa.; and five grandchildren. (Photo shown of Beaver)

The following excerpts were taken from Page 8 - The Artesia (NM) Daily Press - August 31, 1999

BELL

Funeral services were this afternoon at First Baptist Church in Carlsbad for Ada Alline Bell of Carlsbad. Burial was to follow at Carlsbad Cemetery. Bell, 99, died on August 28 at Carlsbad Medical Center. Bell was born on July 4, 1900, in Paducah, Kentucky, to William Sidney and Betty Elvira Goodwin

French. Her family moved to Hope when she was 9. She married Oliver M. Scoggin in 1917 in El Paso, Texas.

The following excerpts were taken from Page 6A - The Carlsbad (NM) Current Argus - January 25, 2000

BERG

Funeral services for Florence Berg, 86, will be held on January 26 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Lake City, Minn. Burial will follow at St. Mary's Cemetery in Lake City. She died January 23 at her home. She was born August 10, 1913 in Pepin Township in Minnesota. She married Lloyd H. Berg on May 15, 1935. She was preceded in death by her husband and a brother. She is survived by three sons, Harold Berg of Lake City, Gerald Berg of Carlsbad, and William Berg of Hastings, Minn.; a daughter, Mary in Lake City; a brother, William Schmidt; a sister, Mildred Dose; and 10 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-granddaughter.

The following excerpts were taken from page 10 - The Artesia (NM) Daily Press - December 17, 1999

BETANCOURT

Immediate burial is December 18, at Twin Oaks Memorial Park for Marjorie B. Betancourt of Carlsbad, NM. She died on December 15 in Lubbock, Texas. She was born on October 9, 1918, in North Bennington, Vt., to John Louis Hurley and Mary Ellen (Haynes) Hurley. She was married to Albert J. Betancourt on August 5, 1940, in Seekonk, Mass. He preceded her in death on June 10, 1990. She was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Artesia. She is survived by a son, Robert Betancourt of Carlsbad; brother Franklin Bowdoin of Peoria, Ariz.; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The following excerpts were taken from Page 8 - The Artesia (NM) Daily Press - August 24, 1999

BIEHL

Services were Monday at Walker Funeral Home Chapel in Coleman, Texas, for former Artesia resident Ruby May Biehl of Brownwood, Texas. Biehl, 86, died on August 21 at Oak Manor in Brownwood. She was a longtime resident of Burkett, Texas. Interment was at Burkett Cemetery. Biehl was born on May 31, 1913, in Elbert, Texas, to D.B. Bludworth and Eva Strickland Bludworth. She married Elmer C. Biehl in Coleman, Texas, on July 5, 1935. He preceded her in death in 1972. They lived in Artesia from 1955 to 1960.

The following excerpts were taken from page 10 - The Artesia (NM) Daily Press - September 3, 1999

BISHOP

Services were on September 3, 1999 at Terpening and Son Chapel for Barry M. Bishop of 58 Marsha Drive. Bishop, 66, died on September 1, 1999. Interment will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, September 4, at Faxon, Oklahoma. Bishop was born on April 20, 1933, in Duncan, Oklahoma, to Thomas Eli Bishop. Bishop served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. Survivors include a son, Steve Bishop of Hobbs, NM; daughters, Kathy Curbo of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Judy Jernigan of Shamrock, Texas, and Janice Bishop of Big Spring, Texas.

The following excerpts were taken from page 7 - The Artesia

(NM) Daily Press - January 30, 2000

BLEDSOE

Services are scheduled January 31, at Hagerman United Methodist Church for former Artesia resident Dreta L. Bledsoe of Roswell, NM.

Bledsoe, 89, died January 27 in Roswell. She was born September 2, 1910, in Sulphur Springs, Texas, the daughter of Ben Williams and Dovie (Edwards) Williams. She married T.A. Bledsoe in Portales, NM on January 2, 1930. She came to Roswell at the age of 16; lived in Hagerman for 40 years; in Roswell for 25 years; and Artesia for two years. Her husband preceded her in death December 20, 1973. She was also preceded in death by daughters Wanda Lee Bledsoe and Carolyn Sue Bledsoe; and by brothers Harlon Williams, Tommy Williams and B.F. Williams. She was a member of Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Roswell; Order of Eastern Star; and adult Girl Scout volunteer for Troop 13. Survivors include sons Raymond Bledsoe of Dexter, Don Bledsoe, wife Betty, of Arlington, Texas, Tommy Bledsoe, wife Georgia, of Artesia, and Ross Bledsoe, wife Val, of Marfa, Texas; daughters Dot Ford of Truth or Consequences, NM, and Peggy Hefner, husband Bill, of Artesia; sister Leta Waggoner of Roswell; 16 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren. (Photo of Bledsoe)

The following excerpts were taken from Page 6A - The Carlsbad (NM) Current Argus - January 9, 2000

BLUNT

A memorial service for John R. Blunt, 92, will be January 10 at Sunset Gardens Mausoleum Chapel. Direct cremation will take place under the direction of Sunset Gardens Direct Cremation Service. Interment of cremated remains will be at Sunset Gardens Cemetery. Blunt died January 8 at Carlsbad Medical Center. He was born in Florence County and moved to Carlsbad in 1945. He was preceded in death by a son, Russell Stephen Blunt in 1967 and his wife, Amy Loretta Blunt in 1982. His only survivors include a granddaughter, Sharon Blunt Williams of Springfield, Ill.; a grandson, Charles S. Blunt of Carlsbad; a niece, Barbara Donaldson of Carlsbad; and six great-grandchildren.

The following excerpts were taken from page 10 - The Artesia (NM) Daily Press - November 26, 1999

BOLANOS

Private graveside services are scheduled for Joshua Wilson Bolanos of 2100 W. Richardson #27. Bolanos, an infant, was born prematurely and died on November 25 at Carlsbad Medical Center in Carlsbad, NM. Interment will follow at Woodbine Cemetery in Artesia. Bolanos was the son of Wilson Bolanos and Elidia (Morales) Bolanos. He is survived by grandparents Benny and Mindy Morales and Abelardo and Nidia Bolanos, all of Artesia; great-grandparents Enrique and Juanita Perez and Frutoso and Dominga Morales, all of Artesia, and Octavio Duque of Columbia, South America; aunts Erica Morales and Liliana Chavarria, both of Artesia; uncles Stephen Bolanos and Ray Chavarria, both of Artesia; and three cousins.

The following excerpts were taken from page 8 - The Artesia (NM) Daily Press - September 9, 1999

BOWEN

Memorial services are scheduled Saturday, September 11, at First Baptist Church in Artesia, for CHARLES W. (CHUCK) BOWEN

of Roswell. BOWEN, 67, died on September 7. He was born on August 8, 1932, in Tulsa, OK to F.N. Bowen and Josephine Bowen. He married Patsy Bowen on July 11, 1953, in Lovington, NM. Survivors include; Patsy Bowen, his wife; sons Patrick Bowen, Nathan Bowen and Andy Bowen; a brother; a sister; and six grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a granddaughter, D'Andra Bowen.

The following excerpts were taken from page 10 - The Artesia (NM) Daily Press - November 19, 1999

BOYCE

Services were November 13 at Sunset Memorial Park in Albuquerque, NM for Maxine Harrison Boyce of Albuquerque. Boyce, 94, died on November 8. She was preceded in death by her husband, Peter Hal Boyce. Survivors are a grandson, Dave Walker, and son Pierce, of Artesia.

The following excerpts were taken from page 8- The Artesia (NM) Daily Press - September 29, 1999

BRAY

Graveside services are scheduled Thursday, September 30, at Mount Olive Cemetery in Healdton, OK, for Ernest Bray of Healdton. Bray, 63, died September 28 in the Healdton Hospital after an extended illness. He was born February 20, 1936, in Healdton to Freeman and Catherine Reeves Bray. He moved to California in 1957, then to Artesia in 1958, where he was a charter member of the Artesia Moose Lodge. He moved back to Healdton in 1973, where he owned and operated his own business. He married Juanita Corbett in Healdton on February 14, 1954. She preceded him in death on April 15, 1973. He married Pearlene Volkman Chapman in Amarillo, TX, on July 17, 1973. Survivors include his wife, Pearlene, of the home; sons Bob Chapman of Garland, TX, and Dennis Bray of Wilson, OK; daughters Robin Ezell of Bridgeport, TX, Judy Ratliff of Wilson, Tanya Cunningham of Ringling, OK, and Danita Jo Wear of Ruidoso, NM; father Freeman Bray of Healdton; brothers Richard Bray of Healdton, Tomie Bray of Healdton, and Jimmy Bray of Carthage, TX; sister Kay Ford of Tacoma, Wash; and numerous grandchildren.

The following excerpts were taken from Page 6A - The Carlsbad (NM) Current Argus - January 11, 2000

BRICKER

Funeral services for Bill Bricker, 71, will be January 12 at Denton-Funchess Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow at Carlsbad Cemetery. Bricker died January 9 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock, Texas. Denton-Funchess Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. He was born June 14, 1928, to William Clyde Bricker in Sonora, Texas, where he was raised. After high school, he enlisted in the Navy during the Korean War. After the war he came to the Permian Basin area. He was a Baptist. He is survived by his wife, Myrtis Bricker of Carlsbad; two stepsons, Randy Wilson of Carlsbad and Preston Wilson of Rusk, Texas; a stepdaughter, Sherilyn Bricker of Carlsbad; two brothers, Royce Bricker of Farmington, NM and Jack Bricker of Carlsbad; a sister, Dorothy Brown of Oklahoma; and five nephews who he raised as children, Bobby Bricker of Hagerman, NM, Scott and Jody Bricker of Carlsbad, Tommy Bricker of Denton, Texas, and Jackie Lee Bricker of Washington State. (Photo of Bricker)

The following excerpts were taken from Page 6A - The Carlsbad (NM) Current Argus - February 12, 2000

BRIDWELL

Funeral services will be held today at Hillcrest United Methodist Church, for Lila Bridwell, 90, of Carlsbad. Interment will follow at Carlsbad Cemetery. She died February 9 at Carlsbad Medical Center. Denton-Funchess Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. She was born August 2, 1909, to John Sherman and Margaret Ellen Nichols Patton in Junction, TX, where she grew up. She married Silas Samuel Bridwell in Winters, TX, on May 1, 1926. In 1940 they moved to Carlsbad. She and Si had three sons. Darrell Bridwell and wife, Katie, Bill Bridwell and wife, Delora, and Kenneth Bridwell and wife, Joyce. She was preceded in death by her husband, Si Bridwell on November 28, 1981, and by a son, Darrell Bridwell, on April 23, 1990. Survivors include sons, Bill Bridwell, of Scottsdale, Ariz., and Kenneth Bridwell, of Wagoner, Okla.; 14 grand-children; 37 great-grandchildren; and 10 great-great-grandchildren. (Photo shown of Bridwell)

The following excerpts were taken from Page 6A - The Carlsbad (NM) Current Argus - January 23, 2000

BRITTON

Graveside services for Matalie Britton, 86, will be January 24 at Carlsbad Cemetery. Britton, died January 22 at Landsun Health Service Center. West Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. She was born June 20, 1913, in Balmorhea, Texas, to Henry and Mae Wilson Hicks. She was raised and educated in Colorado City, TX. She married Lonnie Thomas "Bill" Britton in 1934 in Colorado City. They moved to Carlsbad in 1935. She was preceded in death by her husband on February 7, 1987, and three brothers, Charlie Hicks, Bill Hicks and Jack Hicks. Survivors include a son, Bill Britton of Englewood, Colo.; brother, Harvey Hicks of Carlsbad; and two grandchildren.

The following excerpts were taken from page 10 - The Artesia (NM) Daily Press - September 10, 1999

BROCK

No services were scheduled for former Artesia resident THOMAS LEE BROCK of Globe, AZ. BROCK, 75, died August 22, at Heritage Health Care Center in Globe. BROCK was born in Nowata, OK. He served in the US Navy during WWII, and was a member of the Masonic Lodge. Survivors include; his wife, Ruth M. of Globe; daughter Cherry Mills of OK; sons Andy of Georgia, and John and Gary, both of Florida; stepdaughters Regina Cross and Karen Courtney, both of AZ, and Christine Shelton of CO; stepsons Rodney Courtney of Nevada, Richard Courtney, Gary Courtney, Perry Courtney and Mark Courtney, all of AZ; sister Fern Richardson of Artesia.

The following excerpts were taken from page 8 - The Artesia (NM) Daily Press - November 23, 1999

BROWN, EARL

Private entombment will take place at Sunset Memorial Park in Albuquerque, NM for Earl R. Brown of Artesia. Brown, 81, died on November 22. He was married to Ruth Brown, who preceded him in death in 1991. Brown served in the US Air Force, retiring in 1983. He was at the Bataan Death March during WWII and worked as a slave in the salt mines in Japan. He is survived by his sister,

Oleta Howland, husband Vince, of Carlsbad, NM; and nephew Charles Earl Brown of Clyde, Texas.

The following excerpts were taken from page 10 - The Artesia (NM) Daily Press - November 5, 1999

BROWN, ODELL

Graveside services are November 9, at Lake Arthur Cemtery, Lake Arthur, NM, for Odell Brown of 1107 S. Second Street, Artesia. Brown, 65, died November 5 at Artesia General Hospital. He was born August 18, 1934, in Jacksonville, Tex., the son of Choice Victory Brown and Isabell Rebecca Smith Brown. He married Vodine DePauw on October 8, 1953, in Levelland, Texas. They moved to Artesia in 1959 from Levelland. Survivors include his wife, Vodine Brown, of the home; father C.V. Brown of Artesia; son David Brown, wife Linda, of Mount Airy, NC; daughters Debbie Golden, husband Jimmy, of Ward, Ark., Pam Thurman, husband Mike, of Artesia, and Becky Ingram, husband Randy, of Artesia; brothers Jackie Brown of Longview, Tex., and Billy Joe Smith of Del Rio, Tex.; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. (Photo shown)

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BROWN, WINTON

A memorial service is scheduled for Winton F. Brown, 83, at Denton-Funchess Funeral Home Chapel. Cremation has taken place. Brown died December 23, 1999 at Carlsbad Medical Center. Denton-Funchess Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. He was born July 26, 1916, to Bermis B. and Florence A. Schall Brown, in Wastina, Ore. He grew up in Oregon. He married Jeanie Dale Webb in June of 1979, in Santa Fe, NM. Survivors include his wife, Jeanie W. Brown of Carlsbad; and daughter, Melinda Webb of Las Cruces, NM. (Photo of Brown)

The following excerpts were taken from Page 6A - The Carlsbad (NM) Current Argus - January 16, 2000

BRUCE

Funeral services are scheduled for Eunice Margaret Bruce on January 17 at West Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow at Carlsbad Cemetery. She died January 12 at Lakeview Christian Home, Northgate Unit. West Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. She was born May 30, 1919, in Trent, Texas to William and Laura Daniels Willis. She graduated from Artesia High School, Artesia, NM, in 1938. She married Paul Bruce on March 20, 1943. They were married nearly 52 years before his death in 1995. She was a member of the Church of Christ since childhood. Survivors include a son, Charles R. Bruce of Carlsbad; daughters, Jeanette Wolf of Hollister, Calif., and Toni Anita Margaret Woodrum of Craig, Colo.; four granddaughters; and one great-grandson. (Photo shown of Bruce)

The following excerpts were taken from Page 10 - The Artesia (NM) Daily Press - August 27, 1999

BRUTON

Graveside services are at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, August 28, 1999, at Twin Oaks Memorial Park, for Jake M. Bruton of 1201 W. Merchant. Bruton, 90, died on August 26, 1999 at his home. He was born on February 6, 1909, in Comanche, Texas, to Samuel Jefferson Bruton and Rosetta Janetia (Waggner)

Bruton. He married Opal Hill on October 19, 1941, in Stockton, California. He moved to Artesia from Carlsbad in 1967.

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BRYAN

Closed casket services for Wilbert "Dick" Bryan, 80, of Artesia, will be February 14 at Terpening and Son Chapel. Interment will follow at Woodbine Cemetery. He died February 10 at his home. Terpening and Son Mortuary is in charge of arrangements. He was born June 1, 1919, in Wichita Falls, TX, to John Luther and Ethel Grace Friberg Bryan. He married Arietta "Mickie" Bryan in 1960 in Wichita Falls. She preceded him in death on June 30, 1998. They moved to Artesia from Wichita Falls in 1961. He was of the Methodist denomination and a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a veteran of WWII having served with the Army. Survivors include a daughter, Patsy Ferguson of Wichita Falls; brother, Bobby Bryan of Leander, TX; and two granddaughters.

The following excerpts were taken from page 8 - The Artesia (NM) Daily Press - December 1, 1999

BUDZAK

No services are scheduled for Michael Walter Budzak of 1101 W. Merchant. Budzak, 82, died on November 27 at 6406 Seven Rivers Highway. Cremation will be under the direction of Terpening and Son Mortuary. Budzak was born on November 21, 1917, in Detroit, Mich., to John Budzak and Anastasia (Philips) Budzak. He was never married. He was an Able Seaman in the US Merchant Marines and served during WWII in the US Navy. He was a Catholic. He is survived by guardians Donald and Rosemary Buechner of Artesia, Stephanie Chavez of Phoenix, Ariz., and Donnie Buechner of San Diego, California.
