



## Obituaries



### MARJORIE WHITE

Mrs. Marjorie White, age 55, of Crockett, passed away Saturday, March 15 in the Lufkin Memorial Hospital.

She was born Oct. 13, 1924, in Paris, Texas and had resided in Crockett for the past 16 years. She was a former school teacher and was the former administrator of Whitehall. She was a member and past president of the Crockett Volunteer Hospital Auxiliary; a member of the First United Methodist Church of Crockett and a member of the Davy Crockett Pilot Club.

Survivors include her husband, William S. White, Jr. of Crockett; one daughter, Mrs.

Lynette Casale of Houston; one son, Dr. William S. White III of Newport News, Va.

A number of nieces and nephews also survived.

Funeral services were held Monday, March 17 at 2 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Earl Cantrell officiating. Interment was in Evergreen Memorial Park.

Pallbearers were Ray Craycraft, Jimmie Murchinson, Ramon Callaway, Lehn Leediker, Dr. Homer Prince, Dr. J.V. Land, Mark Carroll and Harvey Thompson.

Callaway Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

### IMA NETTIE HARRISON

Mrs. Ima Nettie Harrison, age 80, of Ratcliff, passed away Wednesday, March 12 in the Lufkin Memorial Hospital.

She was born Sept. 3, 1899 in Houston County and was a lifetime resident of the county. She was a member of the Center Hill Methodist Church.

Survivors include one son, Bob Harrison of Lufkin; four daughters, Gladys Curry of Kennard, Helen Harrison of Ratcliff, Dot McClain of Deweyville, Joyce Knight of Lufkin; three sisters, Pearl Nash of Crockett, Annie Mae Moses of Conroe, Ruth Ashley of Houston; 24 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday, March 14 at 2 p.m. in the Callaway Memorial Chapel

with Rev. Frank Oswald officiating. Interment was in the Corinth Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Bill Harrison, Rick Harrison, Greg Harrison, Doug Harrison, David Harrison, Bennie Curry, Mike Curry, Glen McClain, Durwood Deckard, Mike Deckard, and Jerry Reynolds.

Callaway Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

### SADIE MITCHELL

Mrs. Sadie Mitchell of Houston departed this life March 8, 1980.

Funeral services were Saturday, March 15.

The family wishes to express sincere gratitude to their many friends and church members for the kindness and all expression of sympathy shown during their bereavement.

# Courier co-publisher dies suddenly July 6

Mr. Thomas Jefferson Welch Jr., 57, of 919 East Houston Avenue, Crockett, died Friday morning, July 6, following a sudden illness in Groveton.

Mr. Welch was born in Crockett on Nov. 15, 1915, and had lived here for his entire lifetime. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Crockett, and was president of the Crockett Publishing Company, publishers of The Houston County Courier. Mr. Welch was a veteran of World War II, having served in the U. S. Navy.

Mr. Welch was "born" to the newspaper and printing trade. Following the sudden death of his father, he was thrust into the management at a tender age, of the Houston County Times, which he continued to operate until going into services during World War II. A skilled Linotype operator and printer, he was employed in several capacities until July, 1962, when he, John W. Lewis and Brewer Bennett formed the Crockett

Publishing Co. and purchased the Houston County Courier.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Callaway Memorial Chapel, with Rev. L. B. Broach and Rev. Noble Lawrence officiating. Interment followed in the Callaway Memorial Park.

Pallbearers were George E. McClain, Richard Fulgham, John McCall, Neil Welch, Richard Welch, Ed Welch, Ramon Callaway and Herbert Callaway.

Survivors include the wife, Mrs. Eilyle Welch of Crockett; two sons, Tommy and Bobby Welch, both of Houston; his mother, Mrs. Clara Welch of Houston; three sisters, Mrs. Clara Lehde and Mrs. Doris Pitts, both of Houston, and Mrs. Beverley Stavinoha of Weimar; and three brothers, Neil, Richard and Ed Welch, all of Houston.

Callaway Funeral Home of Crockett was in charge of arrangements.