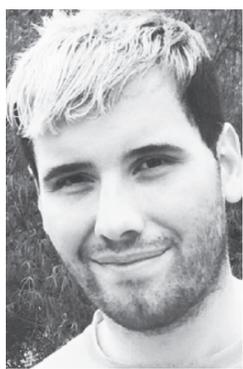


# Obituaries



## Rodney Carl Cockerham II



Services for Rodney Carl Cockerham II were held at 2PM, Tuesday, April 26, 2022 at Cornerstone Church, Natchez, MS with Bro. John Bark-

er and Bro. Danny Reed officiating. Interment followed at White's Ridge Cemetery, Jonesville, LA under the direction of Magnolia Funeral Home, Alexandria.

Rodney Carl Cockerham, II, 28, of Jonesville, LA, passed away April 14, 2022. He was a tanker man on a tug boat. He loved musical instruments: drums, guitar and banjo; he actually loved his job on the water. He loved

and was brilliant in science and loved geography, history, traveling as well as working out and building muscles. He loved his precious dog Skittles and family dog Spot.

He was preceded in death by his uncle, Merthyr Reeves Mount, II; first cousin, Merthyr Reeves Mount, III; and grandfather, Ronald Cockerham, Sr.

Those left to cherish his memory in-

clude his mother, Tracy Mount Abernathy and husband Cy; father, Rodney Carl Cockerham and Felicia; brother, Saylor Surville Cockerham and wife Mallory, and nephew Saylor Surville Cockerham, II; sister, Lauren Whitney Cockerham Rachal and husband Eric; and nieces and nephew Kayleigh, Adysin and Brendan; maternal grandparents, M.V. and Ada Mount; paternal

grandmother, Ann Cockerham; aunt, June Maranda Mount Herron and husband Heath; first cousins, Heath II, Hayden and Holden, Colby Mount and wife Hailey, Jada Mount; Cheyanna Jacks and boys, Preston Reeves Mount and Karson Vester Mount; uncle Ronnie Cockerham and Kris; aunt, Cindy Doughty and husband Robert and family; cousin, Jeddy Lee Hamilton; uncle, Gary and Deb-

bie Ford; cousins, Labe Ford and Casen Ford; as well as numerous other relatives and friends.

Pallbearers were Colby Mount, Heath Herron II, Hayden Herron, Ty Book, Labe Ford, Jeddy Lee Hamilton and Holden Herron. Honorary pallbearer was his brother, Saylor Cockerham.

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## Mary Peck Book

Graveside services for Mary Peck Book, 92 of Monterey, LA were held at Acme Free Methodist Church Cemetery on Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 1:00 PM with Bro. Dustin Davis officiating under the direction of Young's Funeral Home.

Mary Book was born on Saturday, August 31, 1929 in Chattanooga, TN. and passed away Thursday, April 14, 2022 in Ferriday, LA.

She was preceded in death by her parents,

Clyde Lee Peck and Nellie Hamilton Peck; husband, Curtis Book; daughter, Carolyn Book and daughter-in-law, Kim Crouch Book.

Mary is survived by son, Donnie Book and Kim of Rayne, LA; grandsons, Curtis Book and his wife Misty of Stuttgart, AR, Waylon Book and his wife Stephanie of Ruth, MS; and Kenneth Adam Bergeron of Kansas City, KS; granddaughters, Alayna Jeasonne and her husband Bruce of

Mansura, LA and Jessie Duhon and her husband John of Rayne, LA. She is also survived by 11 great-grandchildren.

Honorary pallbearers were Waylon Book, Glen Book, Bundy Morace, Terry Tiffiee, Larry Reese, John Duhon, Brunston Crouch, Wesley Moring and Shirly "Bo" Book.

To leave an online condolence for the family please visit [www.youngsfh.com](http://www.youngsfh.com).

## Maxine Breithaupt



Graveside services for Maxine Breithaupt were held at 1PM, Wednesday, April 20, 2022 at Pine Grove Cemetery, Rhinehart, LA with Rev. John Holloway officiating, under the direction of Magnolia Funeral Home, Alexandria.

She was a prayer warrior, an avid reader and loved listening to traditional gospel music. We'll miss her Christmas orange slice cake (and you never took her end pieces).

She was preceded in death by her devoted husband, Rev. Roy

Breithaupt; parents, Melvin and Gladys Boothe; brothers, Alford, Alvin and Kence; sister, Peggy; and many nieces.

Those left to cherish her memory include her three children, Karen (Robert), David (Clara) and

Rhonda (Ron); seven grandchildren; 23 great grandchildren; and sister, Joy (Peck).

Pallbearers were Jose Reeves, Landon Reeves, Edwin Breithaupt, Tommy Mayo, Ken Carroll and David Reeves.

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condolences, please visit [www.magnoliafuneralhome.com](http://www.magnoliafuneralhome.com)



## Robert Owen Taylor

Robert Owen Taylor, 66 of Harrisonburg, Louisiana died on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, at Harrisonburg, LA. Arrangements are under the direction of Comer Funeral Home.

Robert Taylor was born Saturday, January 21, 1956 in Shreveport, LA and passed away on April 12, 2022 in Harrisonburg, LA

He is preceded in death by his father, Sunny Davis Taylor; mother, Helen Harper Taylor; two brothers, Ray Taylor and Jerome Taylor.

He is survived by his daughter, Jessica Taylor of Harrisonburg, LA; son, Shane Taylor of Lafayette, LA; two brothers, Monty Taylor of Lafayette, LA, and Wayne Taylor of

Lafayette, LA; and two sisters, Shannon Taylor of Baton Rouge, LA, and Deborah K. Taylor of Nashville, TN. He is also survived by four grandsons, six granddaughters and two great-grandchildren.

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Evelene and Me

We hunted deer from Harrisonburg to the hills of Bayou Dan.  
Camped at night with coyotes and we'd make our morning plan.  
When frost was on the ground we'd lay a good luck down. Take our knives skin his hide, cut out back strap she would trim and fry. Now they say, you make your memories when you're young, looking back I'd say Jesus blessed, and he gave us some. Evelene is gone, but her words still linger on. And she says to me! "If I get to heaven before you do, I'll put my foot in the door, hold it there for you."  
We caught bluegills at deer park underneath those willow trees.  
Catfished in the Ouachita, we dressed them ready to freeze, and ducks from Rawson creek. She'd take, oh what a treat, when the leaves were fallen down, she'd fry those squirrels a golden brown.  
We fished in Toledo Bend, fought the worries and the northeast wind. Along the banks of Lake St. John we caught the chinquapin bream.  
Down on the Larto Lake, where bayou overflow we caught white perch and catfish where the lily pads used to grow.

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## Social media causing mental health problems for children

Social media has its benefits, and being able to keep in touch with friends and family remotely was one of the saving graces in the early stages of the COVID-19 pandemic when people were isolating in their homes. But there's a dark side to social media as well. Recently leaked documents from Meta, the company that oversees social media giants Facebook and Instagram, suggest the company has known for several years that its Instagram app is contributing to body image issues and other mental health problems for teens, particularly females. Social media platforms use algorithms to enhance users' engagement. Feeds may be driven toward polarizing topics or those that have the most shock value, further leading teens down a negative path.

The current tween and teen generation is faced with constant information being delivered right to their handheld devices. Children may not be developmentally ready for the immediate gratification that social media provides nor the constant onslaught of content. As a result, teens increasingly are becoming more irritable, having trouble sleeping and are spending more time

alone as a result of phone usage. The Harvard Graduate School of Education says recent studies have noted a significant uptick in depression and suicidal thoughts over the past several years for teens, especially those who spend multiple hours a day using screens.

There are steps parents can take to help tweens and teens who may be struggling and need assistance managing social media.

Set real limits. Putting phones down at meal times, turning off alerts close to bedtime, and making certain days "a rest from technology" can help.

Block upsetting content. It's a parent's job to be a parent, not a best friend. Set limits on which platforms children are allowed to use that align with your beliefs or values.

Regularly monitor kids' usage. Parents should look through their kids' phones and accounts on a regular basis to see which sites are being visited and how kids are engaging with others. If social media is affecting a child's mental health, have him or her take a break or delete the account.