

Obituaries



SANDRA EVILSIZER KOSCAK

Sandra Evilsizer Koscak, 68, of Las Cruces, NM passed away peacefully at her home on April 8, 2018 after a long struggle with cancer.

She was born on Aug. 28, 1949, in Dallas, Texas to Ivan and Helen Barns Evilsizer.

Sandra has been married to Thomas M. Koscak for the past 28 years. She retired as a controller for a major truck dealership in San Diego, CA. During this period, she also served as a Navy Squadron Ombudsman. She loved traveling to foreign ports to join her Navy husband during his deployments.

Sandra's lifetime passion was Genealogy. She was a Certified Genealogist, writing several books on the subject and was instrumental in the publication of many others. Sandra was also the president of the Sierra County Genealogical Society, a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, which traces her lineage back to a Hessian soldier, a contributor to Find a Grave.com, a Genealogical researcher for many people and the Secretary/Treasurer of the Nuckoll's Worldwide Kindred Society.

Another passion of Sandra's was the study of Bible prophecy, particularly the books of Daniel and Revelation. She made several DVD presentations

and wrote a pamphlet on "7 Biblical Reasons Why These are the Final Days of the Earth". She and Tom had a home ministry called "Revelation Speaks Today" which was broadcast by radio and available on CD. Sandra's church in Round Rock, Texas, Faith Fellowship and its pastor, Letty Kincaid, were instrumental in providing spiritual support during her final days. A special thanks to the Wake Up America (WUAS) organization, Larry Wilson, the staff, and all its supporters. The prayers were needed and felt.

The family is grateful to the medical staff at Memorial Medical Center Cancer Program. The attention given her by Mesilla Valley Hospice was exceptional.

Survivors include her loving husband Thomas M. Koscak, her brother Chuck Evilsizer, one niece and one nephew.

II Timothy 4:6-8 KJV
6. For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.

7. I have fought the good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith.

8. Henceforth, there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day, and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

At her request, no memorial service will be held. In lieu of flowers, please send a donation to Mesilla Valley Hospice, 299 E. Montana, Las Cruces, NM 88005. Arrangements are with La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home. To send condolences go to www.lapaz-grahams.com.

Ernest and May (Scoggin) Middleton.

In 1938, he moved with his family to Hot Springs, NM and graduated from Hot Springs High School in 1939. He married his high school sweetheart, Estella Ruth Howe, Oct. 11, 1941.

Gayle was a World War II veteran who fought in the Battle of the Bulge with the 5th Armored Infantry Division. He was a member of the First Baptist Church where he served for many years as a deacon and trustee. He owned Middleton Gas Company for sixteen years, and in 1969 he moved to his farm in Las Palomas, NM. Gayle was a member and president of the school board for six years and a board member of Sierra Soil and Water Conservation District for 30 years. He loved building things for his family and friends in his wood shop. He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather who always put his family first.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his loving wife, Estella Ruth (Howe) Middleton.

At the time of her death, they had been married 69 years. He was also preceded in death by his brother, Johnny, and sister-in-law, Helen (Frost) Middleton; sister, Ernestine, and brother-in-law, Scott Bumgardner; sister, Peggy Koenig; and sister, Clara May, and brother-in-law, Leonard Talbert.

Survivors include his brother-in-law, Paul Koenig; son, Bobby Middleton; daughters - Barbara Wiley and husband, Butch, Hazel Cain and husband, Russell, and Debbie Whitehead and husband, Gary; seven grandchildren - Lance Wiley and wife, Sara, Kelly Watson and husband, Greg, Lane Wiley, Kyle Birch and husband, Mike, DeeDee Fuss and husband, Dave, Erin Whitehead, and Sara Whitehead; ten great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

Funeral Services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 21, 2018, at the First Baptist Church at 220 N. Broadway in TorC, NM, with Pastor Dudley Bristow officiating. Interment will follow at Vista Memory Gardens Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the building fund of the First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 329, TorC, NM 87901.

Arrangements are by Kirikos Family Funeral Home, Inc., 303 N. Cedar St., TorC, NM 87901, 575/894-2574. For online memorial messages please visit www.kirikosfamilyfuneralhome.com



PAUL THOMAS

Paul Thomas, A TLE associate at WalMart and resident of Truth or Consequences, went to be with our loved ones and the Lord on April 12, 2018 at the age of 52.

Paul is survived by his wife, Gina Thomas of TorC; his son, Daryl Thomas; parents: Revis and Birdy Thomas of Arrey; brother and sister-in-law Matthew Thomas and Donna Thomas of Salem, OR; sister and brother-in-law Theresa Penner and William Penner of Las Cruces, NM; as well as numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews from both sides of his family. Paul was preceded in death by his daughter, Charlotte.

Paul was born Nov. 21, 1965 in Fort Meade, Maryland. He graduated from Mayfield High School in Las Cruces, NM before working as a long-haul truck driver. In May of 1995, he married Gina and the two of them made a home in TorC for themselves and their son Daryl, who was his greatest treasure.

Paul was a member of the Moose Lodge 2050 and a Legionaire. He was a kind and gentle soul, with a big caring heart who was willing to help anyone who needed it and put most others' needs ahead of his own. Paul could tell most people what was wrong with their vehicles just by the sound it would make, and he would repair the problem free for the elderly and veterans.

Services were held at the Moose Lodge 2050 in TorC, on Monday, April 16, 2018 at 2 p.m. His family would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their condolences, prayers and kind heartfelt words during this time.

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Defendants Learn Meaning of Zero Tolerance

By Betsy Phillips
HERALD Reporter

Some defendants, who appeared for various reasons Friday, April 13, in Judge Matthew Reynolds' District Courtroom, learned the consequences of doing so under the influence of drugs.

Monica Underwood, who was given the opportunity of probation and Drug

TorC ROTARY CLUB



LOGO CONTEST WINNERS - Diana Reyes won the, "Don't Meth With Us," logo contest for the upcoming year. She is a student at Arrey Elementary School. Bruce Swingle, TorC Rotary President, left and Mario DiGesú, right, Don't Meth With Us Coordinator, presented the award. Diana was awarded an artist's carrying case by the TorC Rotary Club.



AND THE WINNERS ARE - Winners of the Four-Way Test essay contest held by the TorC Rotary Club were, from left: Alison Wasilowski 1st, Jordan Miller 2nd and Audrey Lane 3rd.



STUDENT OF THE MONTH - The TorC Rotary Club presented an award to TCMS Student of the Month, Jaylin Newling and HSHS Student of the Month, Alexis Flores.



GUEST SPEAKER - Kitty Colby spoke to the TorC Rotary Club about being a community volunteer. She volunteers many places and encourages everyone to volunteer somewhere. Currently, Sierra Home Health Care and Hospice needs volunteers. Kitty was introduced to the Rotarians by Rotary President Bruce Swingle.

Court, tested dirty for drugs at her first Drug Court session. She was sanctioned and sent to jail for five days.

Kyle Reid came to court for an arraignment and a motion to revoke his probation. He tested positive for Methamphetamine and THC at that hearing.

Reid had tested positive in February and denied he had used drugs so the sample was sent to an independent laboratory for testing. The test came back positive.

Reid was on conditions or release that included requirements for drug testing and zero tolerance for positive results.

Reynolds ordered Reid to jail without bond.

Gailon Kline was to be sentenced Friday the 13th but he, too, tested positive for methamphetamine when he showed up for court. A defendant may not be sentenced if they are under the influence.

His attorney said he didn't think he was impaired and

wanted to proceed with sentencing. He said Kline's family had traveled from Florida to speak on his behalf. He asked for a suspended sentence and Drug Court.

Reynolds allowed the family to speak, but declined to finish the sentencing until Kline is not under the influence of drugs.

Wendy Falco, Kline's sister, asked for court-ordered drug treatment for her brother so the government would pay for it. It was suggested that Kline could live with his mother who appeared elderly and frail.

"So you're recommending a drug addict live with your elderly mother?" Reynolds asked. "That might not be the boon that you think."

Kline's conditions of release were revoked and he too, went to jail. He will be sentenced at a later date.

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Team KID

Pastor: Dudley Bristow

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10:55 A.M.

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6:00 P.M.

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6:00 P.M.

1500 E. Third St. TorC, NM



HERBERT GAYLE MIDDLETON

Herbert Gayle Middleton, 97, of Las Palomas, NM died in his home on April 14, 2018. He was born Febr. 19, 1921 about a mile southeast of Hope, Eddy County, NM. He was the oldest son of the late

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