Obituaries

CLYDENE DEPOYSTER
May 20, 1931 - January 21, 2013

Services for Clydene DePoyster, 81, of Corinth will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, January 26, 2013 at First Baptist Church in Brownfield with Alva L. Smith officiating. Burial will be in Terry County Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Brownfield Funeral Home.

A family visitation was held from 6-8 p.m. Friday at Brownfield Funeral Home.

Clydene passed away Monday, January 21, 2013 in Corinth. She was born May 20, 1931 in Haskell County to Walter Ray and Lois (Sorrell) Skiles. She attended school in Munday prior to moving to Brownfield with her parents in 1949. Clydene married Leon W. "Bill" DePoyster May 7, 1949. Clydene and Bill resided in Brownfield until 1974, when they moved to Lubbock.

Clydene was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; a granddaughter, Talva Smith Davis; and three brothers, Lemoin, Wilford and James Skiles.

Clydene is survived by four daughters and two sons-in-law, Julie and Doyle Miller of Abilene, Debra DePoyster of Odessa, Tereisa DePoyster of Odessa and Joyce and Victor Cornuaud of Corinth; grandchildren, Alva Smith, Genene Russell, Jeff Talley, Alysia Bradley, DeNae Giffith, Tori Cornuaud, Dan Miller, Doug Miller and Dina Miller; 14 great-grandchildren; and one brother, Don W. Skiles of Gatesville. Pallbearers will be: Levi Smith, Spencer Smith, Jacob Smith, John Russell, Dan Miller, Mike Skiles and Ronnie Talley.

BARBARA ANN FILLINGIM
(JULY 8, 1952 - JANUARY 21, 2013)

Services for Barbara Ann Fillingim, 60, of Brownfield were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, January 24, 2013 at Brownfield First Baptist Church with Rev. Jon Patrick, Eddie McHugh and Jerald Baldwin officiating. Burial was in Resthaven Cemetery under the direction of Brownfield Funeral Home.

Barbara passed away peacefully with her family at her side on Monday, January 21, 2013 in Lubbock.

She was born July 8, 1952 in Lubbock to Joseph Russ and Shirley Shand Kent. She graduated from Coronado High School. Barbara married Wayne Fillingim on October 12, 1968 at Lakeview Baptist Church. She worked for the sheriff's and police departments as a dispatcher. She also worked as an activities director at both nursing homes in Brownfield.

She was an active member of Immanuel Baptist Church. Barbara raised three beautiful children to be as caring as she was herself. She always put everyone before herself.

Barbara is survived by her husband Wayne of Brownfield; two daughters, Connie and Tamberly; a son, Robby; grandchildren, Abby, Andrew, Hannah, Lauren, Ashlyn and Ryan; her mother, Shirley; a sister, Linda; a brother, Robert; a son-in-law, Matt; a daughter-in-law, Vanessa and numerous nieces and nephews.

Barbara is preceded in death by her father; a brother, Dennis Russ Kent and her baby sister, Jeanie Kent.

The family suggests memorials to Gideon's International or Immanuel Baptist Church in Brownfield.

PAUL ANDREW ROBINETT
(1927-2013)

A funeral service for Paul Andrew Robinett, 85, of Brownfield will be held on Monday January 28, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. at Crestview Baptist Church with Pastor Jack Purtell officiating. Burial will follow in Lamesa Memorial Park under the direction of Branon Funeral Home. A visitation will be held on Monday January 28, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. at Crestview Baptist Church.

He was born on October 5, 1927 in Spur to Sherman Andrew and Katharine (Carr) Robinett. He passed away on Tuesday January 22, 2013 in Lamesa. Paul and Gloria Moore, "Deenie" were married on her birthday, June 7, 1947 in Lamesa. She preceded him in death on November 10, 2012. They were married for 65 years. He farmed all of his life in Dawson and Terry Counties. He and his wife moved to Brownfield in 1985. Paul was a member of the American Legion.

He is survived by his children; Gayla Bridges and husband, Mike of Mendenhall, MS, Sharla Cooper and husband, Roy of Tarzan, and Alan Robinett and wife, Mala of Lubbock; brothers, Vernon Robinett and wife, Bettye of Amarillo, Delwyn Robinett and wife, Carylon of Sweetwater, and Randy Robinett of Austin; 6 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Paul is preceded in death by his parents; sister, Merlie Wall; and brother, Lavoy Robinett.

The family suggests memorials to American Lung Association Better Breathers Club University Medical Center, UMC Activity Center, 5217 82nd Street Suite 128, Lubbock, TX 79424. To send condolences online please visit www.branonfuneralhome.com.

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Secure the Results

by Daphne Delay

The parable of the unjust steward in Luke 16:1-9 has been a challenge to understand at times. Let's read it, and I'll explain:

There was a certain rich man who had a steward, and an accusation was brought to him that this man was wasting his goods. So he called him and said to him, "What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your stewardship, for you can no longer be steward." Then the steward said within himself, "What shall I do? For my master is taking the stewardship away from me.

I cannot dig; [and] I am ashamed to beg. I have resolved what to do, that when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses." So he called every one of his master's debtors to him, and said to the first, "How much do you owe my master?" And he said, "A hundred measures of oil." So he said to him, "Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty." Then he said to another, "And how much do you owe?" So he said, "A hundred measures of wheat." And he said to him, "Take your bill, and write eighty."

[Now here's a surprise:] So the master commended the unjust steward because he had dealt shrewdly. [Jesus then said:] "For the sons of this world are more shrewd in their generation than the sons of light. And I say to you, make friends for yourselves by unrighteous mammon, that when you fail, they may receive you into an everlasting home. He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in what is least is unjust also in much. Therefore if you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches? And if you have not been faithful in what is another man's, who will give you what is your own? No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon."

Let me put it this way: Even if you were raised in a godly home, you've been exposed to the world enough to understand what the unjust steward was doing. He got caught stealing from his Master. Then when he was asked to turn his books in, he quickly called all those who owed money to his Master and made a deal with them. He did this so when he no longer had a job, he would be able to call on the favor he gave to others and have support.

But what's surprising is that Jesus insinuates this unjust steward was praised by the Master for being so shrewd. Then Jesus says in Verse 9, "Make friends for yourselves by unrighteous mammon, that when you fail, they may receive you into an everlasting home."

You really have to read this verse a few times, or else you might think Jesus is telling us to act unjustly like the bad steward. But that's not the case… Jesus is instructing His disciples to use unrighteous mammon (money or wealth) in a manner that will reap results.

The Message Translation says, "Now here's a surprise: The master praised the crooked manager! And why? Because he knew how to look after himself. Streetwise people are smarter in this regard than law-abiding citizens. They are on constant alert, looking for angles, surviving by their wits. I want you to be smart in the same way—but for what is right—using every adversity to stimulate you to creative survival, to concentrate your attention on the bare essentials, so you'll live, really live, and not complacently just get by on good behavior."

In other words, every person (righteous or not) makes a living receiving unrighteous mammon (wealth that will pass away with the world). So if the unrighteous man or woman of the world knows how to be shrewd and use their wealth to their advantage, so should the children of God. But not in an unrighteous manner!

This is clarified by the next verses: "He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in what is least is unjust also in much. Therefore if you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches?" The true riches are spiritual--things of the Spirit.

Jesus wants His disciples to reap what they've sown through their wealth, but only in a righteous manner. Then when faithfulness has been proven in that arena, He can trust us with the more important riches of spiritual stewardship.

Use your wealth to help the poor or spread the gospel through avenues of ministry, and by doing so, you will secure the results in heaven! The earth, and everything in it, will pass away. But what we do with what we have during our time on earth, will have a great impact now and in the life to come. Jesus wants us to be on constant alert, looking for every opportunity to do good with what we have.

So secure the results with what you have!

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