

New Arrivals



Elijah Redden

20.5 inches long.

Jerry and Dara Entwistle, Entwistle Herefords, New Holland, Ill., announce the birth of their son, **Reece Christian Ray**.

Born Feb. 18, Reese weighed 7 lb. 14 oz. and was 19.5 inches long.



Reece Entwistle



Walker Rakestraw

Paternal grandparents are JWR Land & Cattle Co. owner Sharon Rakestraw and the late Wesley Rakestraw.

Michael and Becky Blume, Pierre, S.D., announce the birth of their daughter, **Jayna Elise**.

Born March 9, Jayna weighed 5 lb. 11 oz. and was 18 inches long. Paternal grandparents are Gordon and Thordys Blume of Blume Herefords, Frankfort, S.D.



Jayna Blume

In Passing

William E. "Bill" Pate, 90, of Hudson, Texas, passed away Jan. 23.

Bill owned and operated the Sunny Hill Ranch for more than 50 years. He previously owned and operated Drive-In Paint Service for 20 years. As well as being engaged in the polled Hereford business full time, he served on the board of directors for the Farmer's Home Loan Association of Angelina County for a number of years.

He served on the Hudson FFA advisory committee and eventually was given a lifetime membership.

Survivors include his wife of 68 years, Mary; daughters, Billie Grunden, Janell Hanks and Mary Helen Johnson; 10 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Patricia Ann Brown, 74, Stephenson, Va., passed away Feb. 5.

Patricia and her husband, Ed, lived at Blakely Farm, Charles Town, W.Va., for 19 years and then moved to Monterey Farm, Berryville, Va., for 19 years before moving to Stephenson in 1998.

Pat retired from Safeway Stores after 29 years of service. She was a member of the Zion Episcopal Church in Charles Town, W.Va.

Survivors include her husband Ed; a daughter, Kimberly Triplett; a grandson; and two step-grandchildren.

Gwendolyn J. Shull, 82, Elgin, Okla., passed away Feb. 16.

Gwendolyn was involved in the FFA Mother's Club and Oklahoma Junior Hereford Association. She retired as a secretary for the Oklahoma Hereford Association. She was also an artist.

Her husband of 51 years was Guy Shull, who passed away Dec. 24, 1997.

Survivors include two daughters, Carol Cox and Ann Dodson; eight grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Swain William "Bill" House, 93, Arkansas City, Kan., passed away March 8.

Bill married Catharine Holroyd in 1938. The couple lived in Cedar Vale, where he ranched and practiced law.

After Bill had practiced law briefly, his father-in-law became ill, and Bill decided to take over the ranch when his father-in-law passed away. Bill changed the operation from stocking steers to cow-calf pairs and built what is known as House Hereford Ranch.



Patricia Brown



Bill House

His cattle industry leadership included serving as American Hereford Association (AHA) president in 1964, Kansas Livestock Association president in 1964-65 and American National Cattlemen's Association president in 1968-69.

Survivors include his wife, Carol; two stepsons, Jason and Jeff; and three grandchildren.

Hilda Brown Snidow, Kansas City, Mo., passed away March 14.

Hilda was B.C. "Bud" Snidow's wife of 58 years. In 1940, while working at the livestock magazine *The Virginia Breeder*, she met Bud, who was then a recent graduate from Virginia Tech and had joined the magazine as livestock editor. Bud and Hilda were married in Warrenton, Va., Feb. 5, 1951.

In 1951 Bud was hired as the AHA eastern field representative and later moved to Kansas City to work at the Association headquarters.

Robert "Bob" E. Brooks, 81, passed away March 16 from complications of Lou Gehrig's disease in Great Falls, Mont.

With the support of their parents, Bob and his brother, Loren, purchased their first Herefords in 1943, starting a lifelong commitment to the breed.

Brooks Ranch had its first production sale in 1958, and 55 sales followed. The Brooks brothers were among some of the first breeders to begin performance testing.

In the later years, Bob enjoyed farming and ranching with his daughter, Candy. He was a member of the North Dakota Stockmen's Association for 56 years and was a member of the North Dakota Hereford Association, serving as director and president.

Survivors include three daughters — Lisa Lindquist, Candy Brooks and Becky Nelson — and four grandchildren. **HW**



Hilda Snidow



Bob Brooks