

Memorial services will be held Saturday, Feb. 1, at 2 p.m. at the Blossom Civic Center for Betty Lou Melton Marsh, age 63, who passed away Jan. 27, in Paris, following a brief illness.

She was the daughter of George Toliver and Edith Marie Chrismon Melton of Tira, who preceded her in death.

Survivors include three daughters, Barbara Flores and husband, Rodolfo, of Krum, Tanya Bornman of Fort Worth, and Michelle Cribbs of Irving. Her sister, Melba Bellah, also lives in Blossom and her brother, Timothy Melton, lives in Meridian. She is also survived by five grandchildren, two nieces and one nephew. In addition, there are many other relatives in the Tira and Cooper area. Betty retired from University of Texas Southwestern, Dallas, then moved to Blossom and worked for cardiology Dr. Khalid Shafiq until her retirement in 2012. Memorials can be made to Aiguier Cemetery Association.

I appreciate Betty Weir sending me the above report. We want to extend sympathy and prayers to the family.

Judy Petty reports that she and Rick went Clarksville on Thursday to watch their grandson, Mitchell Green, play basketball. "Good game, Cooper."

They then went to Cedar Park to visit with Chris, Robin, Trever and Trey Petty. Rick, Chris and Trever attended a hockey game on Friday night.

On Saturday, they attended the 4A District Swim Meet in Killeen. Tyler Petty won first place in district in the 100 backstroke, third place in the 200 IM relay, second place in the 400 free relay and third place in the 500 free. Also, there to cheer Tyler on were Larry and Dorothy Fitzgerald and Ken Chapman. "What a great day for Tyler." He will now be swimming in the Regional Meet next month in Magnolia, Texas. "Good Luck, Tyler."

On Sunday, they went to watch Macy Green play basketball in Campbell. Macy played a great

game and the team won.

This has been a busy week at North Hopkins school, with basketball games at home on Monday and Tuesday nights and the big homecoming games coming up this Friday night, beginning at 4 p.m. Make plans to come out and support the athletes!

Here is the report from Athletic Director Larry Tucker from last week: "It was a great night to be a Panther Tuesday. All four teams beat Maud. The JV girls won 22-18 while the JV boys built a 27-0 lead, before Maud could score, on their way to a big victory. The girl's varsity came back after their loss at Honey Grove to play their best game of the year, winning 56-25 in a great team effort. The boys then continued their winning ways, raining down the three point shots in romping to an impressive 75-37 victory. Thanks to everyone who came out. We had a great crowd. The girls are now 14-12 for the year and 4-5 in district — just one game out of a playoff spot. The boys stayed perfect at 7-0 in district and a stellar 19-7 for the year."

The North Hopkins PTO is sponsoring "That's My Girl," a father/daughter dance on Saturday, Feb. 8. See the school web site for more information.

I always need and appreciate input from my friends to help keep me informed of news in our community.

If you have any news pertaining to Tira residents, past or present, please contact me, Jan Vaughn, at 903-945-2190 or 903-438-6688 or janvaughn73@gmail.com.