



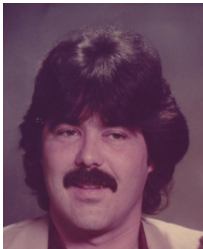
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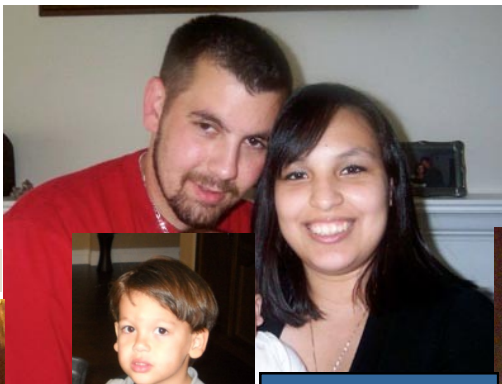
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Salinas Scandal Sheet

...And here he is... Jesse, Gabby & little Jesse Reddam are proud to announce the birth of Jaxson Lee Reddam, born September 17, 2012, weighing in at 8 lbs.2 oz. !! Don't know who's happiest....mom & dad, big brother or proud grandparents, Lisa Reddam & Sylvia & Lorenzo Hooker! And of course, the very proud great-grandmas, Anne Reddam, Dora Castro & yours truly! Welcome, Jax!



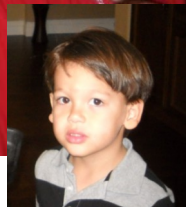
Pete Reddam (dec)



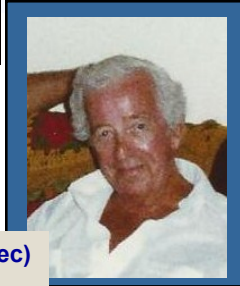
**Jesse Pete,
Gabby H. & Jesse
Paul Reddam**



Lisa W. Reddam



Paul Reddam (dec)



**Lorenzo & Sylvia
C. Hooker**



Paul J. Wright, Jr. (dec)



Lily Wright



Anne Reddam

**Jaxson was
21 1/2 " long,
& was born
at Antelope
Valley Hospi-
tal, in Lan-
caster, CA.**



Dora Castro

Considering he had 5 by-passes recently, Ed Langford seems to be doing quite well!

Must be wife Shawn's good cooking!



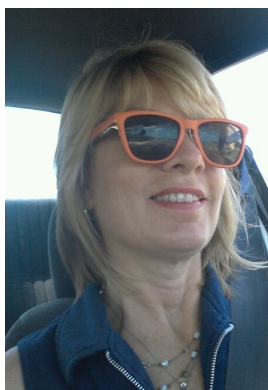
Jonathan & Dana Graesser Williams & their two boys are now settled in Germany, after having lived in Scotland for a year or so! Jonathan works for Schlumberger—lucky guy!



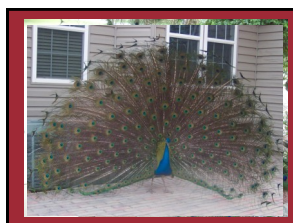
Except for Dana & brother John, the Graessers celebrated Don's 80th Birthday! Susan Wright, June, Dr. Anne & Michael Coleman, & Barbara & Keith Holm! Congratulations & many more, Don!

Cute Riley Fox cheers for the team-Panthers- & attends Black Elementary in Houston.

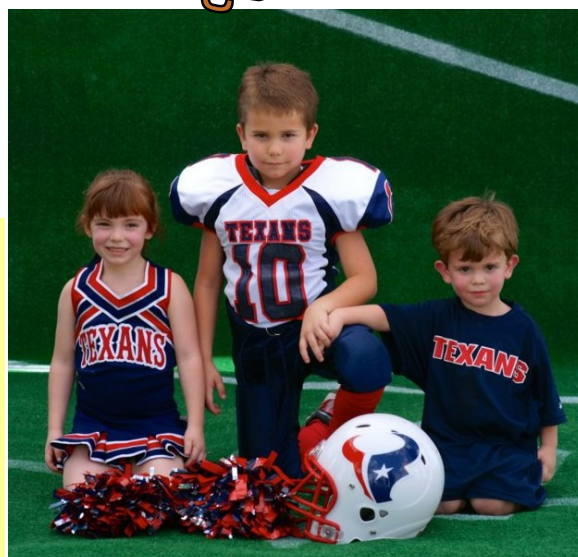
**Go Panthers!
Rah rah Riley!**

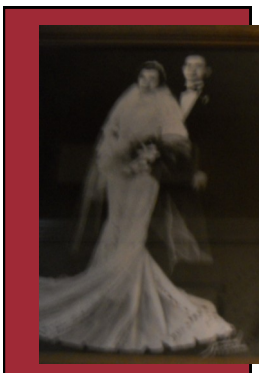


Debbie Swisher was interviewed by SA's KENS-TV about the Peacock problem in Grey Forest! The more, the merrier, right?



It's that time of the year again, & Edward Tedsan Ridgley is ready to play cornerback & outside linebacker on Defense as a Freshman White for the Bulverde Texans! Sister Elise is a cheerleader for the team, & brother Jake does his part by being a sort-of Mascot & cheering, too! E.T. looks grrrrr tough, no?!





Old wedding photos & dresses (like my folks' here) were on display recently at a Laredo Genealogy Society event, & enjoyed by visitors & the media. San Juanita Hunter, here with Norma Hagy, was the Coordinator & did a wonderful job!



SO photogenic & pretty...Haley & Megan Coffin are busy again with all kinds of sports at their schools in Oceanside, CA!



These cute boys on a haystack somewhere in N. Dakota are Evelyn Landis' great-grandsons—Logan & Lane—cousins & best of friends!



Janet & Steve Patty are enjoying their retirement after how- many- years as teachers? The Pattys reside in Athens, Alabama, but maybe they'll visit their Wright kin in Texas soon??



That is such a cute baby with Kim & Ronnie McElvany! A real doll face!



The Navarro family looks so happy, but I'll bet mom & dad, Kathy & Orli, & Gely & Nella miss big sis, Alejandra, away at college!



Matt Trevino, w/cousin Sara Garcia— looking good, guys!



Pretty, & slim & trim is Adrienne Trevino, wife of Pepito, mom to J.C. Trevino IV & Miguel A. Trevino (Matt), & owner of a custom scrapbook company- Custom Scrapbook Design, in Laredo. Adi is also a 1st VP at Compass Bank, & is involved in many civic & community organizations! Way to go, Adrienne!



Very happy together are Gonzalo & Susy Flores Farias! They have beautiful & handsome kids, too!

What a beautiful costume Maria Salinas is wearing! She's all set to celebrate Mexican Independence Day—September 16th— at San Augustine Plaza!



...and here's Paul Swisher, looking better than ever!



Many thanks to Alice & Perry Reed, who took care of little Jesse while mom & dad were at the hospital w/baby Jax Lee! He might not look very happy here, but Jesse had a wonderful time with the Reeds!





Diana De Wall, Bob & Ali Landis, Gonzalo Farias

BABY SHOWER
Enjoying a fun Baby Shower hosted by Gonzalo & Susy Farias for Ali & Robert Landis, were several friends & relatives....and now we all want to knowwhat are you naming that baby???



Urie & Joshua Druker, & Nina Farias



Susie Druker, Norma Hagy, Arturo & Eugie Farias & Diana De Wall.



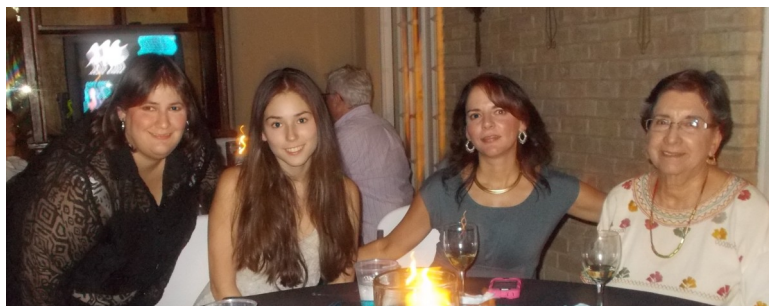
Monica Gonzalez, Sylvia & Kiko Molina, & Omar Villalon & Rosa Medina .



Richard & Beverly Hagy, Kathy Navarro, Christina E. Farias, Mari Ridgley.



Diana De Wall, Ali, Susie Druker



Ana Farias, Alejandra Navarro, Susy Farias, Olvido Flores

What a coincidence! Tedsan Ridgley leaves for Quantico, Virginia, for certain FBI training where Matthew Wright is undergoing Marine Corps training! Hopefully they'll run into each other somewhere...like at a Dining Hall!? (As did Matt & Aric Hagy at Texas A&M last year & recognized each other because of the SSS!)

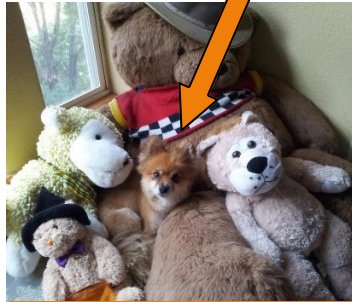


I N M E M O R I A M

We bit a sad farewell to Berta Cruz Farias, who died at the tender age of 97 on August 3, 2012. She was married happily to Cesar Farias for over 38 years! She was mother of 4 children, was my father's 1st cousin, & a very fine lady! May she R.I.P.



There's a certain dog in this picture who got sprayed by a skunk at 4:00 a.m. one morning, & hid here!!



I think his name is Riley Swisher! Phew!

...and speaking of Swishers, here's handsome Damon, posing for his Senior picture!



Proud Dad & Mom!

Is it a bird, is it a planeno, yes..... well, it IS a plane, carrying the Shuttle ENDEAVOR & flying right over Austin, Texas!! See the Capitol building?

What a great shot!



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



16-Elise Ridgley, 09-Eddie Langford, 22-Gabby Reddam, 19-Daniel Wright, 14-Richard Hagy
 16-Debbie Swisher, 31-Kim McElvany, 13-Lindsey Landis, 17-Aric Hagy, 25-Alejanddra Navarro
 22-Brad Wood, 29-Bruno Galli, 02-Michael Ramirez, 14-Britton Wood, 12-Kayley Burke,
 14-Christi Kalmbach, 25-Lorenzo Hooker
 24-Riley Fox, 14-Campbell Fox, 24-Angelique Van Dyk, 03-Diana Farias



Celebrating a birthday in her beautiful & colorful Laredo home was Raquel Valle-Senties, an old neighborhood & school friend, who is an accomplished artist, poet, playwright, & writer. This excerpt & that of the poem following (from her book, SOY COMO SOY Y QUE), certainly describe the Laredo some of us grew up in!

GROWING UP IN LAREDO

*Chicana, Pocha, Tex-Mex,
Mexican-American, Hispanic.
So many labels, which one should I use?
They're all the same to me.
Yo nací en el border.
En Laredo, as a matter of fact.*

*Let's go and eat cabrito
Con frijoles bien borrachos.
There was no such thing as Nachos,
Patos or Burritos.
If you asked for a Mariachi,
You got a band cantando rancheras!*

LAREDO

*(Excerpt of a poem
by Raquel Senties—with permission)*

¡Te odio! ¡Te amo!

*Odio your dusty unpaved streets
and blistering days
of a never ending summer.*

*Odio tus fiery sunsets
that tint el cielo with burnished copper
streaked with peach and purple.*

*Odio the dry, parched tierra,
open cracks waiting for rain
like baby birds waiting for worms.*

*Odio el downtown,
what we have made of it,
an old harlot whose beauty no amount
of paint
can bring back*

*Amo los myriad bougainvilleas,
purple, orange, red, white,
whose vivid colors
brighten patios all year round.*

*Amo your Tex-Mex culture
where hablar español
is an asset, not a liability.*

*Pero, more than anything, Laredo,
amo your people, mi gente,
A pesar de sus defectos, por sus
muchas cualidades,
que te aman y te odian como yo.*

Thanks, Raquel! Enjoyed seeing you & so many Laredo friends at your party!