



Bobby and Frances Longshore celebrate Golden anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Longshore recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with a reception and dance at the Andrews Country Club with friends and family. The Feb. 16 event marked the milestone anniversary of the couple's wedding, which took place on Feb. 14, 1963 at the East Side Baptist Church in Odessa.

The main dining and fireplace rooms were decorated for the event with a red and white motif commemorating the Valentine's Day wedding of the two. Red tablecloths with centerpieces of clear glass contained floating white candles surrounded by roses were on all the guest tables. On the cake table a large crystal column vase held long-stemmed red roses with Dendrobium white orchids cascading down from the top.

The couple's three-tier white anniversary cake was embellished with beaded gold ribbon decorating the edge of each tier and a gold 50th cake topper surrounded by many white Dendrobium orchids. The couple later sliced the cake, serving the chocolate, strawberry and vanilla tarts to all guests present.

Refreshments served included: chicken salad sandwiches, prime rib sliders, fruit trays, cheese trays, ham and cheese rollups, fried mushrooms, chips and queso, punch, tea and coffee.

On one side of the dining room, the couples' display table was decorated with clear crystal vases engraved with red rose buds. Each vase also held white candles encircled with white hydrangeas.

Several photo boards displayed above this table carried out the red and white theme with many pictures of the couple's 50 years together. On the side of the table were raised cut-glass pedestal plates holding the 50th anniversary cake toppers of Frances Longshore's parents and paternal grandparents. Of particular note was an 8 x 10 color

framed photo prominently displayed, which showed the couple in red and white striped skating attire and skates. Frances' very same red and white short suspender skirt and Bobby's shirt were neatly folded below the picture.

Frances' pink satin bridal bouquet and blue garter from their wedding were also on this table.

Prior to the cutting of the 50th anniversary cake, Mark Longshore, son of Frances and Bobby, provided the champagne toast to his parents saying, "As parents, they were wonderful Christian examples for their children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren on how best to live their lives!" Bobby Longshore also toasted his bride of 50 years and welcomed all their family and friends.

On Feb. 14, Bobby and Frances traveled to Odessa to enjoy a nostalgic phototaking journey of all of their "beginning" places of 50 years ago: their first home, the church where they were married and that skating rink where they first met.

Their early life was spent in Odessa until 1967, when they moved to Andrews where they have lived since.

Bobby Longshore was employed by Campbell Testing in Andrews for 41 years before retiring, and Frances was employed for 21 years by the City of Andrews. Both Frances and Bobby are remembered for their many years of teaching Cotillion dancing and etiquette in Andrews to many of its young people. They are active members of the First Presbyterian Church and the Andrews Country Club.

The couple have two children, Mark Longshore of Andrews and Trina Longshore Dean of Midland. They have five grandchildren, Eydie Dean, Grant Guelker, Clay Guelker, Cody Davis and Anley Longshore; and three great grandchildren, Brooklin Dean and Owen Dean of Midland, and Avery Guelker of Midland.

Barbara Slack (sister of Frances), Okmulgee, Okla., and Timberly Smith (niece of Frances), Oklahoma City, assisted Frances with all the lovely decorations.

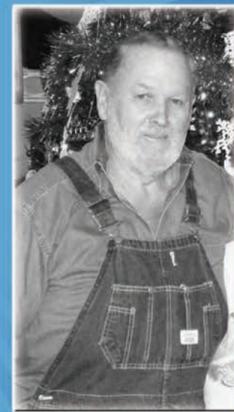
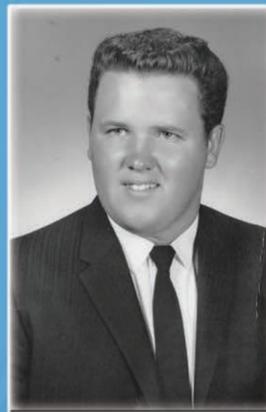
Other guests attending were Mark and Anley Longshore, Andrews; Trina Dean, Midland; Eydie, Brooklin



Frances and Bobby Longshore wed Feb. 14, 1963.

and Owen Dean, Midland; Clay Guelker, Abilene; Wayne and Elaine Longshore, Midland; Billy Longshore of Andrews, and Brittney, Sal, Genevieve and Joaquin Neri of Odessa; Cindy Jones, Andrews; and Sean and Marlyne Gonzales of Odessa.

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Things he likes...



Making memories with his grandchildren.



Hanging out at the snow cone stand.



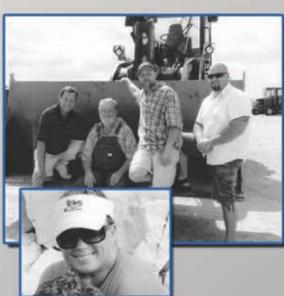
Riding his motorcycle.



Traveling the country with Patsy.



Making people laugh.



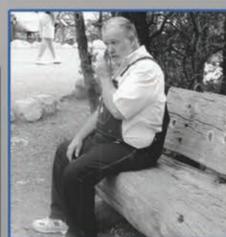
Being with his kids.



Playing at the lake.



His first Great-Grandbaby.



Talking on the phone.



Running his tractors.



Teaching the Word.