In Memoriam
By Nicki Keele

Charles Richard Buck
Charles Richard Buck was born August 15, 1933 in Oklahoma City, OK. He was the son of Kenneth & Rosa Buck. He went to heaven on August 22, 2013 while at MD Anderson in Houston. He graduated from Putnam City High School in 1952. He received his BS from Central State College, his Masters from the Univ. of Oklahoma, and his Ed.D from the Univ. of Arkansas. He had a short stint in the Army where he was stationed in Germany. He was a member of OAHPERD when he was at OU. He served on the faculty of Northeast Louisiana University (now ULM) from 1967 to 2001 when he retired from teaching. While on faculty of NLU, he served on the Curriculum Comm. for 20 years, where he was the Chairman for several years. He was also active in the LA Assoc. of HPE for 30 years where he served as President, 1976-77. He also served as Intramural Director for 7 years and Instructor Trainer for Aquatics, CPR and First Aid.

In 1962 he married Pat Priest and they had two daughters, Kim and Missy. Kim and husband Phil Curry live in San Diego, CA. Missy Hines lives in Monroe. And the pride of his life, grandson, Colby Hines, lives in West Monroe.

In 1997 he married Bobbie Byrd, a native Texas. They enjoyed many years traveling in and out of the U.S., up both East & West Coasts visiting Light Houses.

Ouachita Valley Runners Club was a life time of adventure and fun. He ran with them in his younger days and later he just wanted to help with races. He ran White Rock Marathon, Dallas and Blue Angel Marathon, FL, ran in the Bay to Breakers race in San Francisco, CA. He enjoyed sports officiating, hunting, (especially duck), fishing, he had a big heart for helping & volunteering in any way he could. Usually didn't need to be called on, but happy when he was. Seeker Springs ministry was where he wanted to be, especially riding on a big mower but would help do anything. He loved that place & those people who make the youth camp function.

Richard is survived by his wife, Bobbie; Daughters, Kim Curry (Phil), and Missy Hines; Grandson, Colby Hines; Bobbie’s children, Pam & Frank Cannon, Audis & Deborah Byrd, Ron & Amy Byrd; 8 grandchildren and 7 Greats.

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(Additional information provided by Nicki Keele OAHPERD Archivist/SDDAHPERD Archives chair)

Peggy Hoover
Peggy Lee Short Hoover was delivered to her Lord and Savior on October 5, 2013 in Augusta, GA. Funeral services were Saturday, October 12, 2013, at the First Christian Church with The Rev. Arnold Nelson Jr. officiating. Burial followed in the Duncan Cemetery under the direction of the Don Grantham Funeral Home. Peggy was a resident at Keysville Nursing Home for the last 3.5 years after suffering a stroke.

A devoted wife of 30 years to James F. Hoover, Jr. and a loving mother to Kim Barry and Randy Hoover, Peggy led a full and fruitful life. Born in Magnum, Oklahoma on October 20, 1923 to Earl and Margaret Short, Peggy enjoyed tennis, theater, band (saxophone) and debate at Mangum High School and in 1945 earned a degree in Physical Education from the Oklahoma College for Women.

Peggy's varied professional career included employment with the Girl Scouts of America, Host with KRHD 1350 Radio, Physical Education teacher and Tennis Coach at Duncan High School, Restaurant Owner in Stockton, California, Landman and proprietor of Hoover Real Estate. While at Duncan High School, Peggy and her girls’ tennis team won Duncan’s first Women’s Tennis State Championship in 1975 and Peggy was named Coach of the Year. An active member of her OCW Alumni Association, Peggy chaired the OCW Alumni Chapel Committee that raised the resources to build the Alumni Chapel. Peggy was a member of OAHPERD. Independent, proud and driven, Peggy was an active member of Duncan First Christian Church and served in many capacities.

Peggy is also remembered as a caregiver to many friends as their health failed, including Mary Helen Wade and Norma Jones. An avid Bridge player, Peggy took great pride in hosting bridge club at her home. Peggy is survived by her children, Kim Barry and Randy Hoover; grandchildren, Chris and Kyle Califf and Derrick and Lauren Hoover; sister, Betty Burris; and sister-in-law Rhonda Short.

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