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CONSUMER ALERT

Notice from the Texas Department of Banking to Purchasers of Preneed Funeral Merchandise Sold By Apple Casket and Memorial Monuments

Bobby Royce Bankston, who owned and operated Apple Casket and Memorial Monuments located in Sulphur Springs until April 2016, did not hold the required license to sell preneed funeral merchandise, and did not deposit the required funds in trust. Therefore, persons who purchased preneed funeral merchandise from Mr. Bankston may wish to file a claim against Mr. Bankston's estate to recover the funds paid to him. The Texas Department of Banking urges anyone who purchased preneed funeral merchandise from Mr. Bankston to contact the Hopkins County Court Clerk at (903)438-4006 for more information on how to file a claim.

Inquiries regarding this matter should be directed to:

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