The Story

"Flooding never happens here. Tom was trying to get home. He drives on the road near the stream every day. We knew it had been raining a lot, but it had been so dry, we were actually happy about the rain. Tom saw some water on the road, but thought it wasn't deep. And, after all, he was in a truck, high up off the ground. But then his truck started to float, and before he knew it, his truck was washed downsteam with him in it. Fortunately, his truck got stuck on a rock or something, and someone saw him and threw him a line. Tom got out okay. But we really learned from this, not to drive in floods."

- Testimony of Marilyn and Tom (last name withheld), interviewed by the American Red Cross after Tropical Storm Allison struck Texas in late June 2001.

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