



Billy Joe Graves

November 27, 1929 - April 20, 2016

Billy Joe Graves, 86 of Kerens passed away Wednesday, April 20, 2016 at his home. He was born November 27, 1929 in Corsicana, Texas to Joe Douglas Graves and Hazel Olsen Graves.

Billy Joe ranched for 40 years. He retired from Navarro County in November 2008 from serving as County Treasurer for 12 years, County Commissioner for 4 years and Sheriff for 4 years.

He is preceded in death by wife, Faye Slate Graves; parents Joe Douglas and Hazel Graves; brothers, Gene Graves and Bobby Graves. He is survived by his wife, Bonnie Graves; children, Janet Whorton and husband Kip, Judy Lemberg and husband Chris, Jackie Self and husband Mike, Jennifer Estill and husband Chuck, Brent Byrd and wife Kim, Kelly Castillo and Karla Clemons; 15 grandchildren; 14 great grandchildren; brothers and sisters, Wesley Graves, Mary Lou James, Kathy Prichett and Brenda Graves.

Also a special thank you to Cedar Creek Hospice and caretakers, Dorothy, Terri, Toshiba and Shirley.

Visitation will be Friday, April 22, 2016 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home. Funeral Service will be 2:00 pm Saturday, April 23, 2016 at Kerens Church of Christ with Jimmy Glenn officiating. Burial will be at Kerens Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Lance Lemberg, Chisum Whorton, Jacob Tarrant, Joseph Lemberg, Shane Graves and Seth Castillo.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to: Multiple Sclerosis Association at mymsaa.org

Cemetery Details

Kerens cemetery

1200 SW 1ST Street
Kerens, TX 75144

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **22**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Corsicana
1530 N. 45th Street
Corsicana, TX 75110
(903) 874-4774
info@griffin-roughton.com

Funeral Service

APR **23**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Kerens Church of Christ
105 SW 3RD Street
Kerens, TX

Tribute Wall



“ Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Billy Joe Graves



Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home - April 21, 2016 at 05:33 PM



“ Billy Joe Graves

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ Jeff Baggett lit a candle in memory of Billy Joe Graves



Jeff Baggett - April 23, 2016 at 10:32 AM



“ Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Billy Joe Graves.



April 22, 2016 at 05:33 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Billy Joe Graves.*



April 22, 2016 at 04:23 PM



“ *My thoughts are with the families. what I remember most is he always had a smile.*

melba watson - April 22, 2016 at 03:51 PM



“ *Coleman, Greear & Associates purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Billy Joe Graves.*



Coleman, Greear & Associates - April 22, 2016 at 09:56 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Billy Joe Graves.*



April 22, 2016 at 09:56 AM



“ *Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Billy Joe Graves.*



April 22, 2016 at 08:01 AM



“ *condolences and prayers for all the family. Joe was one of Frank's and mine favorite persons. love to all of you*

barbara commiato - April 21, 2016 at 08:25 PM



“ *Sonja Martin purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Billy Joe Graves.*



Sonja Martin - April 21, 2016 at 05:52 PM



“ *47 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home - April 21, 2016 at 05:19 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Billy Joe Graves.*



April 21, 2016 at 04:58 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Brent - April 21, 2016 at 08:40 AM



The best of the best!!!

Gail & Norman Smith - April 21, 2016 at 12:36 PM



Thinking about you all.

Marsha Keele Deagen - April 22, 2016 at 11:46 AM



Prayers to you all during this time. Heaven received a good one. We'll miss his smiles here!

Jean (Horn) Murray - April 23, 2016 at 08:01 PM