



Bobby Sparks

January 10, 1941 - April 17, 2014

Bobby R. Sparks, 73, of Corsicana passed away Thursday, April 17, 2014 at Baylor University Medical Center in Dallas. He was surrounded by his loving family and close friends at his side.

Bobby was born January 10, 1941 in Kerens to Gussie and Orval Sparks. He married the love of his life, Nell Arnold, November 25, 1967.

Bobby was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Elmer Sparks and a sister, Earlene Reiley. He is survived by his loving wife of 46 years, Nell; daughter, Christie and husband John Paul Roundtree and granddaughter, Savana Wolver all of Wolfe City; brother-in-law, Otis Arnold and wife Charlotte of Richland. Other survivors include his brother Chester Sparks of Wimberley and sisters Charlene Rawling and husband Ron of Fresno, CA, Mae Koreth of New Braunsfels, Elise Hoffman of Yoakum, Texas along with numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Bobby served in the United States Army Reserve and the National Guard. He toured in Germany and Ft. Polk, LA. He worked at Chattanooga Glass plant for 34 years until his retirement in 1995. He then was employed by Watkins Construction Company and the city of Corsicana.

Bobby loved to deer hunt, play card games and go fishing and camping. He loved for his friends to come have coffee with him and visit with him for hours, but most of all, he loved being with his family.

Visitation will be held Saturday, April 19, 2014 from 1:00pm - 3:00pm at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home. Service will be 3:00 pm Saturday, April 19,

2014 at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Daniel Dawson and Tim Moody officiating. Internment will follow at Hamilton-Beeman Cemetery. Pallbearers are James Almond, Jimmy Stewart, Allen Stewart, Darrell Hodge, Case Roundtree and Justin Roundtree. Honorary Pallbearers are Thomas (Partner) Lucas, James Carrigan, Otis Arnold and Brian Arnold.

Cemetery Details

Hamilton - Beeman Cemetery

700 Farm to Market 2555
Corsicana, TX 75110

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 19. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Corsicana
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Corsicana, TX 75110
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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Bobby Sparks*

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *Nell and family. So sorry to hear about Bobby. My thoughts and prayers are with y'all.*

Marilyn Oliver - April 21, 2014 at 01:10 PM



“ *Marilyn Oliver lit a candle in memory of Bobby Sparks*



Marilyn Oliver - April 21, 2014 at 01:08 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Bobby Sparks.*

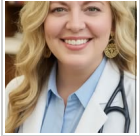


April 19, 2014 at 10:34 AM

LZ

“ Uncle Bobby was an awesome man. So many memories of him.... always happy... He could light up any room. God has taken him home where there are no more tears, pain or suffering. I look forward to the day when we can all be reunited.

Lisa Zimmerman - April 19, 2014 at 10:00 AM



“ Bobby always called me "his girl". Since I was a baby, he treated me like his own daughter. I had my first birthday at his house. Spent many nights sleeping over as a kid. I remember bobby was so scared one night when I fell out of the bunk bed in his camper as a child. He was protective of me! He would always say "come here and give bobby a hug". I will always remember him laughing and being jolly and his incredible smile with dimples. Him singing george jones with my daddy and hearing his red truck pull up. Bobby loved for all of us to get together and camp, fish and hunt. So many happy memories at the lake with him and his family. Bobby always played with us kids. He played hide and seek with us at deer camp. I loved bobby like a daddy. I will never forget him squeezing my hand and nodding yes to me when I told him I was with him at the hospital. I will miss seeing him sitting at the kitchen bar and drinking coffee with dad. Bobby, "your girl""misses you terribly but will see you again someday in heaven. Love you.

Natalie

Natalie Wallace - April 19, 2014 at 08:51 AM

OA

“ I knew Bobby for 50 years. He started dating my sister early 1967 I believe. He worked at Chattanooga glass and she was working at a little restaurant down on South 75 close to the "Y". They got married on 25 Nov. 1967 and they lived in Corsicana.



I remember that mine & Nell's stepfather, Bozo, was not happy about their getting married. Bobby was 27 and Nell had just turned 17, she was still in school. But they were determined and they got married at our Aunt Genell's house in Richland. I remember I gave Nell \$30 dollars to buy a dress to get married in.

And Bozo relented on his opposition. He saw that they really cared for one another and he and Bobby became very good friends.

They lived in a garage apartment on W. 2nd after they got married. From there they moved to a wood frame house on W. 13th at, I believe, 20th Ave. After a couple of years they bought and moved into the home on North Beaton.

They were married 46 years and almost 5 months when Bobby passed away. And in all of that time, he never said a cross or indifferent word to me. He was always friendly and willing to talk thru good times and bad times. I will miss him, I know my sister will, very much. Goodbye, Mr. Sparks. Odis.

Odis Arnold - April 18, 2014 at 07:36 PM

CH

I worked with Nell at the old Steak House at the Y. Bobby would come in and have coffee with his friends from Chattanooga glass. He fell in love with Nell at first site. Nell also fell in love with Bobby the same way. I told Nell then I knew with out a doubt that Bobby loves her and I could see a future for them. Bobby was a gentleman. Nell my prayers are with you. May God see you this time of great pain and sadness.

carol horvath - April 21, 2014 at 05:31 PM

JB

“ *It's so hard to believe he is gone. We are praying for Nell and Christie in this difficult time. Glenn and Jody Blanchard*

Jody Blanchard - April 18, 2014 at 03:19 PM