



Elroy Thomas Payne

July 20, 1933 - February 11, 2018

Elroy Thomas Payne, 84, of Stephenville, passed away peacefully on Sunday, February 11, 2018 with his family by his side.

Funeral services will be held at 2 P.M Wednesday, February 14 at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home in Corsicana with Rodney Payne and Weldon Branham officiating. Burial will follow at Oakwood Cemetery in Corsicana. Visitation with the family will begin at 12:00 prior to the service in the chapel at the funeral home.

Elroy was born on July 20, 1933 in Crews, Texas to the late Thomas Copeland and Vera Francis Hale Payne. After graduating from McMurry College in 1956, he coached in Brownfield and Cleburne, and retired after 31 years as an Agency Manager with State Farm Insurance Company. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, inducted into the McMurry College Athletic Hall of Honor where he was a two time All American running back and was affiliated with the Methodist Church. Elroy was an avid supporter of the Special Olympics and always had a heart for serving the youth in his community.

Survivors include his daughter, Cindy and husband Paul Asby of Corsicana; son, Rodney and wife Debby Payne of Stephenville; grandchildren, Shae Smith of Possum Kingdom Lake and Cole Armstrong of Dallas; great

grandchildren, Shyanne Smith, Hunter Smith, and Cayman Smith; sister Evahjo Bozeman of San Angelo; sister-in-law, Martha Payne of Lubbock, and the mother of his children, Merle Payne. He is also survived and loved by a host of family and friends whom he also loved.

Besides his parents, Elroy was also preceded in death by 5 sisters, Eron, Evelyn, Earldean, Ella Mae, and Ethylene and 2 brothers, Edgar and Eugene and a grandson, Shane Wells.

The Payne family wishes expressions of sympathy be made in the form of donations to Special Olympics, Attn: Web Gifts, 1133 19th Street NW, 12 Floor, Washington, DC 20036-3604

Online condolences may be made at www.stephenvillefh.com or www.griffin-roughton.com

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

900 North 19Th Street
Corsicana, TX 75110

Previous Events

Family Visitation

FEB 14. 12:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Elroy Thomas Payne*

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *Cindy, I am very sorry for your loss. Sending prayers, love and hugs for all.*

Robbie Derden - February 15, 2018 at 09:52 AM



“ *Cindy,
So sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you and your family.*

Sharon Johnson - February 14, 2018 at 10:52 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Elroy Thomas Payne.*



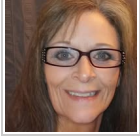
February 13, 2018 at 06:21 PM



“ *Your friends at Bovine Supply purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Elroy Thomas Payne.*



Your friends at Bovine Supply - February 13, 2018 at 01:13 PM



“ *Cindy, I am so very sorry for the loss of your Dad. You will be in my thoughts and prayers. Love you.* ”

Juli Reeves - February 13, 2018 at 11:45 AM

CA

Thank you, Juli

Cindy Asby - February 13, 2018 at 01:57 PM

NS

“ *The McMurry University family extends heartfelt condolences to the family of Elroy Payne and extend prayers during this difficult time.* ”

Nancy Smith - February 13, 2018 at 09:06 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Elroy Thomas Payne.* ”



February 12, 2018 at 09:39 PM



“ *Sentimental Dreams was purchased for the family of Elroy Thomas Payne.* ”



February 12, 2018 at 03:21 PM

CW

“ Cherita & Jared Wlech purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Elroy Thomas Payne.



Cherita & Jared Wlech - February 12, 2018 at 09:19 AM

CA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Cindy Asby - February 11, 2018 at 10:53 PM

RP

The best Daddy that a son could ask for.. love ya Dad.. you were my hero.. Rodney

rodney payne - February 15, 2018 at 11:46 PM

MM

“ *Elroy hired me to start my career with State Farm. We didn't yet have computers, initially. When we got them, it fell upon him to teach me. He wasn't tech savvy!! He was good to me. I hope he Rest In Peace.*

Mike Moreland - February 11, 2018 at 08:20 PM

CA

I'm sure he wasn't! 🙄

Cindy Asby - February 13, 2018 at 01:59 PM



Rest In Peace Elroy.

Nelda Fabion Thomason - February 17, 2018 at 01:12 PM