



Ernest Younger - Fairfield

March 16, 1943 - January 11, 2009

Ernest (Bud) Younger was born March 16, 1943, in Detroit, Michigan to Earnie and Irene Younger. He passed away January 11, 2009 at his home in Fairfield Texas, surrounded by his family. His diagnosis of cancer brought months of searching for quality of life as he lived courageously with the love and support of family, professionals and friends. Bud found the Lord at the age of twelve, joined The Church of God and later became associated with the First Baptist Church of Fairfield. He joined the United States Air Force at the age of eighteen and transferred to Friezing Germany in 1961 at Staff Sergeant. In 1965 he returned to Sheppard Field in Wichita Falls Texas and graduated first in his class in Telecommunications, which led to the position of instructor. Studies and training prepared him for the teaching of five telecommunication courses. He attended Midwestern University at Wichita Falls and when discharged from the Air Force in 1970, began a career in telecommunications. Bud was associated with Continental Telephone, Contel, GTE and Verizon, which led to a 23 year careet in various positions including upper management. While Bud was in Germany, he met and married his wife of 44 years, Deidra Hoppe, daughter of Lieutenant Colonel Farnam Hoppe of Pennsylvania. Bud always said his greatest accomplishment in life was his two daughters, Cheryl Younger Stone, teacher at Fairfield High School and Candace Younger Von Sehrwald, registered Nurse at ETMC Athens Texas. Mr. Younger is survived by his wife Deidra, daughters Cheryl Stone and Stevie of Fairfield, Candace von Sehrwald and Olaf of Fairfield; grandchildren

Clayton Stone, Caitlynn Stone and Zachary von Sehrwald and dear friends Joe Norwood and wife Veda of Corsicana. Bud is preceded in death by his mother, Irene Younger Deaton, father Earnie Younger, grandson Brandon Cole Stone, brothers James Younger and Gary Younger. Visitation will be 6-8pm Wednesday, January 14, 2009 at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Fairfield. Services will be 2:30pm Thursday, January 15, 2009 at First Baptist Church with Brother Benny Mize, associate pastor of First Baptist Church officiating. Burial will follow at Fairfield Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Bud's hunting companion, Scott Bailey, Roy Bailey, Ken Bailey, David Norwood, Kelly Norwood, Stan Gorman, Norbert Wake and Joe Norwood. Memorials may be made to Americana Cancer Society or the charity of your choice.

Tribute Wall



“ Ernest Younger - Fairfield

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ Dee, Cheryl, and Candace,

My family and I extend our warmest thoughts and prayers to each of you and your families. May God comfort and keep you during this difficult time.

In Sympathy,

Mike Estes & Family

Mike Estes - January 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Bud was my first boss at Contel and I worked with Dee as a telephone operator. I always have had great respect for Bud and his family. I consider them to be very wonderful friends. Just know I am praying for you and love you very much.

Love Always,

Renee Gregory Ranson

Renee Ranson - January 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ *Dee and Family,
I have such fond memories of our time together at Contel. Bud
always kept us laughing at break...
Just wanted you to know that I am thinking of you at this time. My
thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

Kathy

Kathy Swinburn Bollom - January 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Carolyn Nesbitt - January 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ *Bud was always one of Irvin's favorite customers and enjoyed and
thought so highly of him. I know his passing will leave a huge gap in
your life, but be grateful for the love you had for each other and the
wonderful memories you have to carry you through these dark
hours. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*Most fondly,
Babbette*

Babbette Samuels - January 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with prayers are with you.*

Stefanie Faughn - January 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM