



Robert "Little Robert" Watkins

March 11, 1935 - August 17, 2016

Robert "Little Robert" Lewis Watkins of Corsicana, TX, passed away on Wednesday evening August 17, 2016 at the age of 81. He was born March 11, 1935 in Barry to Charlie and Elna Mitchell Watkins. He married Lavonne Ray on February 17, 1954. He retired in March of 1997 after 30 years of service as an inspector with the Texas Highway Department. He served as deacon and music director at Emhouse Baptist Church for many years. Robert enjoyed farming and raising cattle. He graduated from Emhouse High School in 1953 as Salutatorian.

He is preceded in death by his parents.

He leaves behind his loving wife, Lavonne Watkins of Corsicana; children, Lewis Watkins and wife Margie of Corsicana, Mike Watkins and wife Lorri of Bedias, Kevin Watkins and wife Elizabeth of Corsicana. Sister Jane Cohen and husband Bob of College Station. Grandchildren, Brooke Pate and husband Jeremy of Buford Georgia, Brittany Lassiter and husband Eric of Fairfield, Brendan Watkins of Corsicana, Cassie McCreary and husband David of Bedias, Casey Zehnder and husband John of Bedias, Logan Watkins of Corsicana. Great grandchildren, Ava, Greta and Willa Pate, Kate and Ryan Lassiter, Riley and Elliot McCreary, Ty, Wyatt and Levi Zehnder.

Visitation will be 6-8 pm Friday, August 19, 2016 at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home. Funeral service will be 3 pm Saturday, August 20, 2016 at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Otis Conner and Eric Larsen officiating. Burial will follow at Black Hills Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Logan

Watkins, Chad Younger, David McCreary, Brendon Watikins, Eric Lassiter, John Zehnder. Honorary pallbearers will be the Deacons of Emhouse Baptist Church and Texas Highway Department.

Cemetery Details

Black Hills

Corsicana, TX 75110

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **19**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Corsicana
1530 N. 45th Street
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Funeral Service

AUG **20**. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert "Little Robert" Watkins



Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home - August 19, 2016 at 01:15 PM



“ Robert "Little Robert" Watkins

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM




“ One thing I know about Robert. He liked Fried apple pies. He and Lavonne would come for a visit and I made the apple pies. The platter would be placed between Jim Watkins and Robert. Good old memories of The good times.

Chris (Watkins) Reckley - August 28, 2016 at 03:06 PM



“ My condolences to the family
leslie Cotten

leslie cotten - August 20, 2016 at 02:04 PM

 Tracy
Bonner

“ *Lavonne, Lewis, Mike, Kevin, and family my wife, Georgia, and I are so sorry for your lose. As I sit thinking back about the bond that our families shared I am reminded of mom and dad's friendship with Robert and Lavonne, all the 4-H activities we shared, and the many times that Kevin and I played in your front yard. Good times all! As an example of the trust that mom and dad had in your family I think you are the only friends that mom would trust for me to stay with when I was young other than my own aunts and uncles.*

One of the last times I saw Robert, he and Lavonne were working a table at the primary election. When I walked into the church where the precinct voting was held there was a table for each party. Robert and Lavonne were at one and my aunt at the other. After all of the hellos and hugs at both tables it was a quiet and awkward moment for me to have to choose between them.

Your family will be in my prayers as I know that a loving husband and father will be missed, but we will rest in the assurance that he is in the presence of our savior Jesus. - Tracy Bonner

Tracy Bonner - August 19, 2016 at 06:47 PM

 GB

“ *Lavonne and family. We are sorry to hear about Roberts passing. Robert always had a smile on his face and ready for a hug.(and a game of dominos) Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.
Daniel & Gail Bennett and family*

Gail Bennett - August 19, 2016 at 05:32 PM

JC

“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



Jane Watkins Cohen - August 19, 2016 at 02:12 PM

JC

“ 3 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Jane Watkins Cohen - August 19, 2016 at 02:02 PM

BW

“ *Family My heart is with y'all . The Lord be with y'all.Robert is singing with the Lord now.O how beautiful the sound.He is in no pain and walking the streets of gold.We will all see him again in time when The Lord calls us. Love y'all Beverly Williamson*



BEVERLY WILLIAMSON - August 19, 2016 at 01:27 PM



“ 33 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home - August 19, 2016 at 01:04 PM

JA

“ *Lavonne, Lewis, Mike and Kevin and family, So sorry for your lost. I have always liked being around Robert he made me laugh so many times. My prayers to all of you. Love to you all, Janet Owen Allred*

Janet Owen Allred - August 18, 2016 at 01:55 PM