



## Thomas D. Cannon Sr.

November 19, 1932 - June 29, 2015

Thomas Doyle Cannon was born on November 19, 1932 to parents H.T. and Era Cannon. He was raised on the home place in Fairfield, Texas and lived there until his marriage to Genelle Cannon in November 1962. He then built his home on the Cannon land adjoining the home place.

Thomas Doyle was preceded in death by his parents H.T. and Era Cannon, brother Millard Cannon, and sister Zuma Lee Henry. He is survived by wife Genelle Cannon, two children Thomas Doyle Cannon Jr. and Lynn and Ray Lancaster, and four grandchildren Chad Lancaster, Cody Lancaster, Ashley Cannon, and Thomas Doyle Cannon III (Tad.) Thomas Doyle also survived by brother H.J. Cannon and sisters Juanita Chavers and Marie Richardson. He loved his family and would do anything for them.

He served in the U.S. Army from 1950 until 1952 when he came back and began working at the local ice company.

Above all else Thomas Doyle was a cowboy and calf roper. He enjoyed his horses and his many rodeo friends. He always had good horses for his children, grandchildren, as well as for himself. He was honored to win numerous saddles, buckles, and tack through the years.

He retired from the U.S. Postal service as a rural letter carrier in 1996. He enjoyed his association with the people on his route as he enjoyed visiting with people. He always had a good word for everyone and enjoyed many friendships. Thomas Doyle was a Christian man who loved the Lord above all else. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church.

Visitation will be Wednesday, July 1, 2015 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Fairfield. Service will be 10:00 am Thursday, July 2, 2015 at Calvary Baptist Church. Burial will follow at Stewart Mill Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Tad Cannon, Chad Lancaster, Cody Lancaster, Collin Puckett, Thomas Gene Cannon, H.J. Cannon III. Honorary Pallbearers will be Ray Lancaster, Mark Chavers, Gene Chavers, Bobby Robinson, Don Hardin, Glendon Carroll, Zach Newman, Roy Newman, Jeremy Boyd, Justin Campbell, Derek Scott..

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Freestone Cancer Support Group  
Attn: Bettye Trask 582 Ferndale Lane Fairfield, Texas 75840.

# Cemetery Details

**Stewards Mill**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

**JUL 1.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Fairfield  
450 East Main Street  
Fairfield, TX 75840  
(903) 389-9217  
info@griffin-roughton.com

### Funeral Service

**JUL 2.** 10:00 AM (CT)

Calvary Baptist Church  
220 East Main Street  
Fairfield, TX 75840

# Tribute Wall




“ *Thomas D. Cannon Sr.*

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *I did not know until today that Thomas Doyle had passed. Geneva and I will always remember him as a kind and wonderful person. I worked with him at the Fairfield PO for 5 years, and never remember having a harsh word pass between us. I'm sure his family miss him, as will all of Fairfield TX. May God Bless and Comfort all of you in your loss.*



*Tony & Geneva Matteo*

**Tony Matteo** - June 17, 2016 at 02:59 PM



“ *To Doyle, Mrs. Cannon and family: Candice and I always enjoyed our Sunday afternoons visiting with Mr. Cannon at his barn and arena while Candice rode her horse. He was a top notch guy and he no doubt made everyone around him a better person. In Sympathy,*

**Morris DeFriend** - July 14, 2015 at 10:18 PM



“ *To the family of Thomas Doyle Cannon, he was such a loving husband, father and grandfather. He will be missed by many. Ashley and Tad my thoughts and prayers are with you both. My heart goes out to the whole family. My God bless and comfort you at this time.*

**Terri Higdon** - July 02, 2015 at 11:59 PM

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“ Thomas Doyle was a quiet man with a way about him that all knew he was a solid Christian man. He loved his family and had a great love for his friends, too. He will be greatly missed.

Gloria Minchew - July 01, 2015 at 08:09 PM

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“ Several years ago I took a horse to the vet, in an old open top, two wheel trailer. As I was about to leave, the horse tried to climb out over the front. Already had one front leg hung in the pipe. What a mess. Did not know what I was going to do. Just in time Mr. Cannon drove up and solved the problem. He got that horse back down and tied him off correctly so it would not happen again. That horse seemed to trust him just like he was a horse whisperer.

Larry Rice

Larry Rice - July 01, 2015 at 08:03 AM



“ Spring Has Sprung Mixed Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas D. Cannon Sr..



June 30, 2015 at 01:30 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas D. Cannon Sr..



June 29, 2015 at 06:37 PM

PB

“ I remember when Lynn was a very small little girl, and was running the barrels at the county fair. She was on a Big horse, and at one turn, she fell off. Everyone in the stands gasp. Thomas Doyle just very calmly walked out in the arena and knelt down and picked her up and brushed off the dirt. He talked to her for a few minutes, then put her back up on the horse and she finished her run. He was such a loving and kind father and loved his family and his Lord with all his heart. He is now sitting beside God. We have another guarding angel watching over us.

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**Patti Ballard** - June 29, 2015 at 10:04 AM