



William "Hooter" DeChaume

June 26, 1945 - July 11, 2007

William H. "Hooter" DeChaume, resident of Corsicana, passed away Wednesday, July 11, 2007 at his home at the age of 62 years. He was born on June 26, 1945 in Corsicana to E.V. DeChaume and Nora Mae Capehart DeChaume. He was an active outdoors person who loved to hunt when he was younger. He would like to go for rides, with no certain destination in mind. At one point in time he was probably one of the best mechanics around, working on race cars and later on heavy equipment, whether at the construction site or on a tractor trailer when he drove a truck He especially loved his grandchildren taking them to Wal-Mart shopping, where if you could fit it into the basket you got it, until the basket was full. He was an example to his family of how to work hard and take care of your own families, and how to treat others with respect. Mr. DeChaume was preceded in death by his parents, brother: Billy Ray DeChaume, sister: Mamie Louise DeChaume, and double cousin: Jody DeChaume. Survivors include his wife of 35 years: Erlene Price DeChaume of Corsicana. Children: Becky Dozier and husband Billy of Corsicana, Scott DeChaume and wife Hope of Corsicana, James DeChaume of Corsicana, adopted daughter Betty "Beb Beb" DeChaume of Corsicana. Grandchildren: Chris Dozier, Kristen "Sissy Mae" Dozier, Kevin Dozier, William Ray DeChaume, Avery "Mae" DeChaume, and Preston DeChaume all of Corsicana. Sister: Betty Rousey of Corsicana. Numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews, great great nieces and nephews, and relatives. Close friend Tommy Walters and a host of friends. Visitation will be held

Friday evening from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, July 14, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Grady Cashion officiating. Burial will follow at Grape Creek Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Bill Bowling, Dennis Terrell, Harry Owens, Ray Scoggins, Jack Harris, and Vecinta Cortez. Honorary pallbearers will be Billy Worthington, Dale Lake, Johnny Williams, Milton Morgan, Richard Harris, Buddy Eaton, Donald Dillon. The family would like to thank Hospice of Cedar Lake and Donna Whittenburg for the care they have given to the family. Memorial may be made to the American Cancer Society and the American Heart Association.

Tribute Wall



“ *William "Hooter" DeChaume*

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *God will comfort you in the days ahead and will wrap his loving arms around you and hold you close. Remember Hooter is in a much better place now, no more suffering and he will be waiting to welcome you to Heaven when your time comes.*

Terry & Glenda Bowling - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR LOSS. MAY GOD BE WITH YOU.*

Ken & Debra Coots - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Erlene and family, our hearts go out to you at this time. We share in your grief because we loved Hooter so very much also. We will always remember all the times we have shared with each other over the years. Hooter will be missed by so many. He had a loving family and many friends that feel privileged to have been a part of his life. Everyone who knew Hooter knew he had a big heart and was always ready to lend a helping hand to his family and to his friends. We really can't express enough to let you know how much we cared about him and how much we still care about you and your family. We love you all dearly and cherish your friendship and will now cherish our memories of Hooter. Now God has another Angel looking down to help take care of us. We love you.*

Dale & Debbie Lake - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ EARLENE I AM TRUELY SORRY FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.PLEASE KNOW THAT I LOVE YOU AND HAVE YOU IN MY HEART AND PRAYERS.MAY YOU FIND SOME COMFORT IN YOUR TIME OF GRIEF.KNOWING THAT YOUR WONDERFUL HUSBAND IS IN NO MORE PAIN.AND NOW RESIDES WITH GOD.IT IS SO HARD TO LET GO OF THE PEOPLE WE LOVE AND OUR HEARTS GRIEVE SO.BUT I TRUELY BELIEVE YOU WILL BE REUNITED AGAIN.IN A MUCH BETTER PLACE.MAY PEACE BE WITH YOU .LOVE SUE

SUE CHAPIN - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ To Betty,Earline and all the family of Hooter,we are so saddened to hear of the loss of Hooter.Please know you are all in out thoughts and prayers.May God comfort you during this trying time.Blesings to all the family,
Raymond & Sharon Bland

Raymond & Sharon Bland - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ I just wanted to let everyone know that i am so sorry for the loss of our member. Papa meant alot to me. I am just happy that he isnt suffering anymore. Everytime i went to his house he would say "papa loves ya dearly Kandice Burgess". i will miss that dearly. I will miss him so much. Sissy i am so sorry if there is anything I can do you know where to find me. I love everyone and just know that he is in a betty place now. I will miss you PAPA!!

kandice - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ Our thoughts, prayers and hearts are with you Becky. Thinking of you. Love ya.

sandra griffith - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Hooter was a great friend. Always a giving person. He would give anything he had if he thought you wanted or needed it. He will be missed. Erlene we love you and will have you in our thoughts and prayers always.

Richard & Sue Harris - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ TO MY NANNIE I LOVE U DEARLY AND GOD WILL SEE ALL OF US THROUGH THE LOSS OF OUR PAPA HE KNOWS WITH OUT A DOUBT WE WILL NEED IT BECAUSE HE NOW HAS OUR ROCK PAPA WAS JUST LIKE MY DADDY WHEN MINE (HIS BROTHER) LEFT ME IN 1998 MY PAPA PUT ON HIS SHOES AND NEVER MISSED A STEP HE WAS LIKE A GRANDPA TO RICKY ,(CAT KILLER) , KANDICE (BERGAS)AND DIDNT MIND A BIT WE WENT THROUGH ALOT SINCE OCTOBER BUT HE NEVER LOST HIS LOVE FOR ANY TO MY SIS BECK , AND HERS IM HERE FOR YA,LL ANYTIME I LOVE YA,LL VERY MUCH . LOVE BEB,BEB

betty annette - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ To my father. You are the reason I am the man that I am. You taught me right from wrong and you taught me to always help a friend in need. You could be stern, but only when I really needed it. You taught me to be independant, and I thank you for that. You were there for me when I needed you, and you made me stand on my own two feet when I needed that too. I will always love you with all of my heart. I am forever thankful that you came into my life. You were, are and always will be my DAD! I will miss you for now, but I will see you in heaven.

I love you POP!!!!
Scott

Scott DeChaume - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ Scotty, Hope and family: Our prayers are with your family during this time. God bless.

Kelly & Anna Paul - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ Scotty & Hope,
I was so sorry to hear about Hooter. You are all in my thoughts and prayers,
Love to all,
Auntie Pasta, Hershey & Alley

Auntie Pasta - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ Scott & Family, I'm sorry for your loss. We just talked about Hooter this week. I feel really bad that I didn't see him while he was sick. He was always in my thoughts and prayers. Seems like yesterday we were riding in his Orange 55 Chevy. I know he was really proud of you. We need more like you on the Police Force. May God bless you and your family. Larry Moore

Larry Moore - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MV

“ Sorry for your lose. Jack has kept me informed, just knowing he's not hurting now is a blessing. God bless your family. Times are going to be hard, just remember God does not put more on us than we can handle.

Mary Alice Vawter - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ Our thoughts, prayers, and hearts are with you.

Angel & Ana Mora - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

VM

“ May God be with all of you during this time of sadness. We will forever remember UNCLE HOOTER for his smile laughs and jokes. You never knew what to expect with UNCLE HOOTER! I know he loved his wife, kids, and spoiled all his grandkids with so much love. He loved his dogs too.

Mark and Vicki Barber Tyler and Dylan!

Vicki and Mark - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ I am privileged to have been a friend of Hooter and his family.
To all the family- you are in our
thoughts and prayers.

Respectfully,

Ronny

Ronny Watkins - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Erlene,
There are no words to express how sorry I am for your great loss.
When we find our soulmates we expect them to be here forever and
the world does not make sense without them.
As your friend, I know how special and cherished your 35 years with
Hooter was.
A rare devoted couple who truley treasure,
d their time together.
The memories of Hooter's love, his kindness and bravery will keep
him near until you can again share a life together.
He may have left ahead of you, but I am sure he is already checking
out the roads in Heaven and planning your next ride.
My love and prayers go to you now in what must be the hardest of
times.

Love,

Lisa

Lisa Ward - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ *Scott and Family,*

We are so sorry to hear of your father's passing. I have been out on leave and had no idea that his condition had gotten worse. Heath and I will pray for you guys. May God bless you all.

Shane Grace - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ *i am so sorry to hear about hooter, my daddy and hooter coothunted together along time ago. now they are up there in heaven together talking about them dogs. treeing them coot. i miss my dad too. it is hard to have to give them up. but they are in a better place now, my dad die of cancer too. it was hard but u will get throught it .it takes time, you all are in my prays and in my heart. we will miss him he was a great man. shane and donnie mann*

shane 'cottongame' mann - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ *my uncle hooter. he was a good man and will be greatly missed. he would come by my house after work everyday on his way home and laugh at me for eating pancakes at 5pm in the evening and i would tell him they were good at any time of the day and he would get a kick out of that. i sure will miss those times. and to nannie my heart is always with you. becky ,james and scott i have been in your shoes and my heart breaks for yall. i love all three of you. and to my aunt betty you will always be my rock i love you much. i love yall with all my heart.*

cathy dechaume teer

cathy dechaume teer - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ I just wanted to pay respect to the DeChaume family, and say that i am deeply sorry. I know you will all miss him a great deal. Much love to everyone,
Whitney K. Morton

Whitney Kaye Morton - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ To the Dechaume family,
I am so sorry to hear about the passing of Mr. Hooter. I have worked with Erlene for 12 yrs and have heard many stories about her and Mr. Hooters adventures. Mr. Hooter will be greatly missed. Erlene you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.
Ronda

Ronda Franks - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ We were very sorry to hear about Hooter. My brother Wayne Brown spoke of him often. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.

James Brown - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

FL

“ Wish I could of been there. Thinking of you and your family. Frances

Frances Hardin LaRoe - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ Hooter was a great man and a great person . God Bless you all .

Rodney Gorden - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Betty & Becky,

I am so sorry for your loss...My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family..

*Love,
Marla Wofford*

Marla Wofford - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

WP

“ *Sis I will always be here for you when and if you need me. Hooter will be missed a lot he was the best brother in law a person could ever have. I love you and the children very much, and will be here for you all. It will be hard for a while but we will all make, because of the love in our hearts for each other. love Bubba*

wayne & becky price - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *DeChaume Family:*

I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I worked with Hooter on several construction projects around Navarro and knew him to be very knowledgeable of construction work and equipment. He always has a smile and a kind word no matter how the project might have been going at the time. I want you to know we are praying for your family that God would comfort you and you would remember the blessings in your life.

Darwin Myers - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ SCOTTY AND HOPE,
WE ARE SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS. YOU ARE IN OUR
THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS. IF WE CAN DO ANYTHING LET US
KNOW.

JEFF, CHELSEA, & BOYS

chelsea covington - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AN

“ He was a good man and friend. His antics and smiles will always be
remembered. Our thoughts are with you.

Deanie and Lee

aaron northern - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ I wish to give my respects and deepest sympathy to the family of
"Papa" Hooter. He was the only other man on this earth besides my
late father "Dogcatcher" I can truly say was my hero. They were
both awesome men and great friends for many years. I have your
family in my thoughts and prayers because I feel your pain. I just
picture him and Daddy up in heaven swappin' old truck driving
stories and waitin' on my Mama and Nanny to join in on the fun.
They both loved to laugh. He will be terribly missed by one and all.

Jeri Huffman Hardin - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ you will be loved & missed!!
i love you uncle hooter!!

carol morton - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

VH

“ Uncle Hooter you will be greatly missed in my heart. I have so many wonderful memories of you. I know in my heart that your in heaven with dad, mom, mamaw & papaw they are so lucky to have such a wonderful man back with them. We were selfish for wanting to keep you with all the pain and suffering you were going through. Now once again you are one of God's angels. All I can do is wait until I can join ya'll. Until then i love you & will forever miss you

*love your neice,
Hixen*

P.S.

Give my mom and dad a big hug and kiss for me!

vicki ann "hixen" DeChaume Holifield - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ hooter and i really did not know each other well, but what short time we did know each other he was always nice and never had an ugly thing to say about anything. even though my sons name was not placed in the paper, from my understanding, everyone knew who he was, and was so happy to see him. sebastian will miss his papa hooter.

and i could not have asked for a better person to b one of his grandfathers.

christina - July 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM