



Mr. Donnie Elbert Wilcox Sr.

June 7, 1943 - April 22, 2026

Donnie Elbert Wilcox Sr., 82, of Rusk, Texas passed away on April 22, 2026, surrounded by his family at his home in Rusk, Texas.

He was born on June 7, 1943, in Rusk, Texas to Grady Elbert Wilcox and Katherine Louise (Middleton) Wilcox.

Donnie loved the Lord and his family. He was a hard worker and loved caring for the land the Lord blessed him with. He always said it was his duty to care for the land that he was blessed with.

He loved to grow a garden, tend to his cows, goats and chickens, working from sunup to sunset and loving every minute of it. He loved good old Gospel music and country music (the old stuff) as he used to say. Donnie had a good life with many friends, he said it was a "Good Ride!". He will be greatly missed!

I love you this much, this long, and that sure.

He is preceded in death by parents Grady and Katherine Wilcox, son Donnie Wilcox Jr., son Richard Bryan Wilcox, brother Glenn Wilcox, grandson Dalton Wilcox, granddaughter Katherine Louise Wilcox, and many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

He is survived by wife Barbara Wilcox of 30 years, daughter Trena Jones and spouse Dennis, daughter in law Lisa Wilcox, daughter Gale Lee and spouse Billy, son Chad Caldeira, grandchildren Chris, Josh, Casey, Justin, Courtney, Matthew, Kristy, great-grandchildren Bentley, Carter, Camden, Corbyn, Ansley, Aiden, Malcolm, Kamilia and Karmen, Simon, and Nadia.

A time of visitation will be held on Sunday, April 26, 2026 from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. in the Chapel of Wallace Thompson Funeral Home, Rusk, TX. Funeral services will be held on Sunday, April 26, 2026 at 11 a.m. in the Chapel of Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home Rusk, TX. Burial will follow at Salem Cemetery.

Pallbearers are Charles Wilcox, Lacy Wilcox, James Riley, Christopher Hudnall, Josh Hudnall, and Richard Massingill.

John Emerson officiating.

Services are under the direction of Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Salem Cemetery

Rusk, TX

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 26. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

The Chapel of Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home
221 5th St.
Rusk, TX 75785
info@wallacethompson.com

Funeral Service

APR 26. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

RF

“ *Rickie and Lisa Odom and family purchased the Plants-A-Plenty for the family of Mr. Donnie Elbert Wilcox Sr..*



Rickie and Lisa Odom and family - April 25 at 11:56 AM

RV

“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr. Donnie Elbert Wilcox Sr..

Randy and Sherry Vigallon - April 24 at 03:34 PM

FW

“ *Family of Beverly Wilcox purchased the Yellow & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Mr. Donnie Elbert Wilcox Sr..*



Family of Beverly Wilcox - April 24 at 08:22 AM

BH

“ *I am so sorry to hear about Donnie, he was a good man & a friend from way back.*

Betty Gentry Hartless - April 23 at 10:02 PM



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Mr. Donnie Elbert Wilcox Sr..



April 23 at 08:35 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr. Donnie Elbert Wilcox Sr..

April 23 at 08:35 PM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Donnie Elbert Wilcox Sr..



April 23 at 08:33 PM



“ Donnie has been a Blessing to my family. He was best friends with my Dad Delta Clapp. He was there for my dad when lost his wife and his son. Donnie is Very Much Loved and will leave a big whole in many hearts , including mine.

Odessa Carter - April 23 at 07:55 PM

MM

“ We will miss you uncle Donnie! Give love for us to our granny, pa, and papa



Madison Maniscalco - April 23 at 02:15 PM