



Forrest Hayden Dyess

June 20, 1939 - August 21, 2023

Forrest Hayden Dyess was born in Jacksonville, Texas on June 20, 1939. He entered into paradise with his Lord and Savior on August 21, 2023 with his family by his side.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Venice Lee Dyess and Zora Lee Simpson Dyess, brothers- Paul Dyess, John David Dyess, sisters- Patsy Jane Martin, Ethel Lee Grimes, Margie Nell Morris.

He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Reta Kennedy Dyess, son Kenny Dyess and wife Kim of Jacksonville, daughters Cathy Newman and husband Rodney of Rusk, and Terrie Sadler and husband Randy of Gallatin.

He was a wonderful granddaddy to his grandchildren, Jody Dyess and wife Bonnie, Jennifer Tyler and husband Kenny, Jordan Dyess, Allison Rawlinson and husband Brayden, Nick Cowan and wife Jeannette, Katy Woods and husband Jared, James Newman and wife Tara, Jacob Newman and wife Heidi, Casey Newman, Amanda Scott and husband Hayden, Meagan Shuptrine and husband Brock, Forrest Jones and wife Megan, Garret Jones, Jory Sadler and wife April, Caleb Sadler and wife Hannah, Nikita Sadler, Raysha Watson and husband Jeremy. Also 35 great grandchildren, Anna, Hayden, Karen, Eli Dyess, Landon and Lilly Tyler, Palmer Dyess, Sunni and Baker Rawlinson, Remi, Zella, and Rossi Cowan, Torsten and Torvi Woods, Grayson, Julianne, Rhett, and Colt Newman, Ty, Tenley, Tripp Newman, Analeigha, Easton, and Dawson Shuptrine, LynnLee, Honey, and River Jones, Hunter, Lindsey, and Cameron Sadler, Macy and Demi Sadler, Aiden and

Jaxson Watson.

He is also survived by brother-R.S. Dyess, sister and brother-in-law Martha Ann and Joe Parsley, sister-in-law Mary Dyess, and brother-in-law Freddie Morris and numerous nieces and nephews.

Forrest grew up in Jacksonville and married his high school sweetheart in 1958 and together they raised their three children, Kenny, Cathy and Terrie in a Christian home teaching them to love and respect each other and God. He was a faithful and loving husband dedicated to serving the Lord as a member of Eastside Baptist Church. He owned and operated a dairy farm for 44 years and now operates a beef cattle ranch and a farm supply store. Forrest loved people and would help anyone with a need. He loved all sports and played softball for many years.

Services will be entrusted to Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home. A time of visitation for family and friends will be held on August 24, 2023, from 9:00AM to 10:00AM at Eastside Baptist Church. Funeral service will begin immediately following visitation. Burial will be at Providence Cemetery in Dialville, Texas. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Eastside Baptist Church, 400 Academy, Rusk, TX 75785.

Psalm 50:10

For all the animals of the forest are mine, and I own the cattle on a thousand hills.

Cemetery Details

Providence Cemetery

Jacksonville, TX

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 24. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Eastside Baptist Church
400 Academy St
Rusk, TX 75785
(903) 683-2566

Funeral Service

AUG 24. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Forrest Hayden Dyess*

October 04, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Patsy Grimes sent a virtual gift in memory of Forrest Dyess*



Patsy Grimes - August 23, 2023 at 08:46 PM



“ *117 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home - August 23, 2023 at 04:50 PM



“ *Mr. Dyess always had time for a visit...will miss hearing him say come in Coach...sit down there and have a coke. Advice was given freely and just truly enjoyed each others company. Like I told Jimmy Neal, it's an end of an era.*

Jowell Hancock - August 23, 2023 at 02:21 PM



“ *Yellow & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Forrest Hayden Dyess.*



August 23, 2023 at 12:54 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Forrest Hayden Dyess.

August 23, 2023 at 12:54 PM



“ *Forrest was good man and a great friend,he will be greatly missed!*

Bob Johnson - August 23, 2023 at 12:25 PM



“ *Looked out for me just as you was my papa always told me to keep playing ball 🏈 don't worry about my animals make my dreams come tru and that's what I'm doing paw ~scooter Baker*

scooter baker - August 23, 2023 at 11:32 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy for you all, Forrest will so very much be missed. Men of honor are rare now adays, Forrest was a man of love and honor. Good to anyone anytime. Always a helping hand to anyone in need. Forrest is one of a dying breed that they just don't make anymore. Young men loved to work for him, and Bryce was looking forward to one day working for him. Truly one of the greats!*

Ellen Jenkins - August 23, 2023 at 11:26 AM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Forrest Hayden Dyess.*



August 22, 2023 at 09:07 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Forrest Hayden Dyess.

August 22, 2023 at 09:07 PM



“ *You will be missed by all of us at Diamond T Ranch. You were always a joy and a pleasure to visit with everytime I stopped by. Love and prayers for the family .
Patty Birdwell
Tony Tristani*

Patty Birdwell - August 22, 2023 at 08:25 PM



“ *White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Forrest Hayden Dyess.*



August 22, 2023 at 05:44 PM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the Dyess family during this time. Forrest was a bright light in this world. He will forever be an inspiration and example for us.....because Forrest lived life as God has asked all of us to do.....to put HIM first, and to love and help others unselfishly. Forrest always had time to help his family, friends and neighbors. I will forever be grateful for the wisdom he was always willing to share, and for all of the unselfish acts of kindness he performed daily for others. Honestly, I can't imagine what life will be like without Forrest Dyess in it.

Prayers for the family,

Dawn Russell & Eddie Lamb, New Summerfield, TX

Dawn Russell - August 22, 2023 at 04:55 PM

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“ The family is in my thoughts and prayers. He is rejoicing!!!

Vickie Henderson - August 22, 2023 at 04:21 PM