



William E. (Billy) Watson

March 29, 1933 - October 22, 2022

Our sweet Dad, William E.(Billy) Watson peacefully met his savior on Saturday October 22,2022 with his wife of 69 years by his side. He was 89 years old. Billy was born March 29, 1933 in Maydelle, Texas to Dewey Jake and Marcelite Watson. He was the oldest of six children.

Dad was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Bud Watson and baby Larry Jack Watson.

In his early years, dad delivered groceries for Felton Banks grocery. Followed by his military service in the Korean War. After this, he received his masters degree in education and taught math and coached girls basketball for Rusk ISD. For years after that he was the Director of Adult Basic Education in many counties of Texas. Dad also was a long time member of the Lions Club and oversaw the swimming pool for many years in Rusk.

Dad was honored to be a deacon of Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist church where he faithfully worshiped till the Lord called him home.

Dad has left behind his wife, Ruby Darline Watson, Son and daughter-in-law Tony and Jackie Watson, daughter and son-in-law Christy and Kevin Buchinger. Three grands that grandpa adored, Leigh Ann and James Pyle, April and Terry Torres, Carter and Courtney Bersano. Three great grands that

he loved to see, Meaghan Pyle , Madison and Lillian Torres. As well as brothers, Jimmy Watson and Eldon Earl Watson and sister Mari Maude Meador.

Pallbearers include: Billy Perry, Bobby Perry, Kevin Watson, Dwain Coats , Kevin Buchinger and Carter Bersano.

Visitation and funeral will be Wednesday October 26, 2022 starting at noon with funeral at 2:00 at Wallace Thompson Funeral Home in Rusk. Interment will be at Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery. The family would be honored for all who knew and loved Dad to attend.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **26.** 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home
221 5th Street
Rusk, TX 75785
(903) 683-2222

Funeral Service

OCT **26.** 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *William E. (Billy) Watson*

October 04, 2023 at 11:30 AM

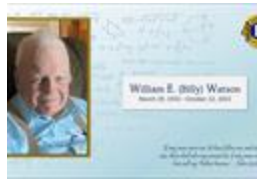


“ *pasty ruth Williams sends our prayers. I went to school with billy, he will be missed.*

rev. roy rowell - October 27, 2022 at 11:45 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Billy Watson*



Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home - October 26, 2022 at 10:10 PM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of William E. (Billy) Watson.*



October 25, 2022 at 03:43 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of William E. (Billy) Watson.*



October 25, 2022 at 03:10 PM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of William E. (Billy) Watson.*



October 25, 2022 at 02:57 PM



“ *Coach Watson was a very special person and a great teacher. My thoughts and prayers to the Watson family. With the love of Christ and my love, Jan Butterfield Waggoner*

Jan Butterfield Waggoner - October 25, 2022 at 02:24 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of William E. (Billy) Watson.*



October 25, 2022 at 12:46 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of William E. (Billy) Watson.*



October 25, 2022 at 10:31 AM



“ *56 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home - October 24, 2022 at 10:27 PM



“ *I had the pleasure of working with Billy during the summers as a lifeguard at the rusk lions club pool. Tony was also a lifeguard at the same time. Those were the best years of my life. Prayers for Darlene, Tony and Christie and their families.*

Cathy Gabbert Booth - October 24, 2022 at 05:31 PM

TC

“ Thomas Crowson purchased the White Mixed Fir eside Basket for the family of William E. (Billy) Watson.



Thomas Crowson - October 24, 2022 at 03:34 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of William E. (Billy) Watson.



October 24, 2022 at 01:09 PM

BB

“ Bobby and Kristi Brooks purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Basket for the family of William E. (Billy) Watson.



Bobby and Kristi Brooks - October 24, 2022 at 11:52 AM

EG

“ HE DROVE OUR BUS IN THE MID 60's AND INSTALLED A RADIO AT HIS OWN EXPENSE. HE LOVE "LET ME TELL YOU ABOUT THE BIRDS AND THE BEES" SONG. HE'D TURN IT UP FULL VOLUME AND SING ALONG WHILE SHIFTING GEARS. I ENJOYED HIM.

EDDIE GRIMES - October 24, 2022 at 08:38 AM

BC

“ *My sympathy to Tony and all of the Watson family.*



Brenda Dickerson Chandler - October 24, 2022 at 04:42 AM