



## A. W. Brewer

July 8, 1924 - May 10, 2016

On Tuesday, May 10, 2016, A. W. Brewer, 91, of Caldwell passed away at his home in Caldwell and went to his heavenly home after a battle with respiratory ailments and cancer. Services will be held at 10 am Saturday, May 14 at First Assembly of God Church in Caldwell with Rev. Wayne Calder officiating. Burial will follow at Caldwell Masonic Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5 pm until 8 pm Friday, May 13 at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home.

Brewer was born July 8, 1924 in Levita, Texas to James Wesley and Ada V. (Voss) Brewer and spent most of his childhood in Gatesville and the surrounding communities. He attended school through 8th grade and began helping his father on the farm to support the family. During WWII at age 19, he entered the US Army and served as a veterinary technician Tec-5 in the China Offensive of the Asiatic Pacific Theater.

After being honorably discharged from the Army in 1945, he returned home and began working for Powell Chevrolet as a mechanic. On May 24, 1947, he married Janice Faye Geiselbrecht at the Coryell Courthouse in Gatesville.

Mr. J. R. Harvey, owner of Harvey Motor Company in Caldwell heard of this great mechanic working at Powell Chevrolet and went to Gatesville to recruit Brewer to come to work for him in Caldwell. After several visits from Mr. Harvey and a visit to Caldwell, Brewer accepted an offer he couldn't refuse

and moved to Caldwell in 1950. On June 28, 1952 the Brewers welcomed the birth of their daughter, Debbie. After Janice's un-timely death in 1960, Brewer became both father and mother caring for his 7 year-old daughter with the help of many friends in the community.

While employed with Harvey Motor Company he held the positions of mechanic, parts manager and salesman. He later became owner of the dealership and remained there until his retirement.

Brewer may have been the original "pay it forward" person and always led by example. His many involvements in service to the community include but are not limited to his 60 years of membership in Caldwell Men's Lions Club (elected to all offices); Caldwell VFD for 40 years, serving as Assistant Chief and Fire Chief; First United Methodist Church, serving on the Administrative Board and numerous committees; co-founder of Copperas Hollow Country Club and serving on the Board of Directors; served as a member of the Board of Directors of First State Bank (now BB&T) and served as an ambulance attendant transporting patients across the state and assisting Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home when needed. He often volunteered to cook for organizations, churches and family gatherings. His shop building was often used for community fund-raisers and drive-thru dinners.

After his retirement, he became "Mr. Fix-it" to all his friends and neighbors and if it was broken he could fix it. He was an avid golfer and played often until his health started to fail. He also enjoyed fishing and shared fish fries with friends. Brewer's shop became a gathering place many men in the community and became known as the CIA (Caldwell Information Agency).

From humble beginnings to successful businessman, he maintained his faith and loyalty to his family, friends and community. He quickly earned the respect of anyone that he came in contact with.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Janice Brewer; his parents and a sister, Geneva Taylor.

Survivors include his daughter and son-in-law, Debbie and Terry LaRoche of Pflugerville; a brother, Darvil Brewer and companion, Betty Malicoat of Gainesville; five sisters, Betty Neely of Littlefield, Ouida Paddock and husband, Sam of Dennison, Viola Able of Boone, IA, and Imogene Goodwin and Carolyn Fegette, both of Oglesby; two grandsons, Jeff LaRoche and wife, Lauren of Mooresville, NC and Brad LaRoche and wife, Tracy of Pflugerville; five great grandchildren, Grace LaRoche, Emeryson LaRoche, Lila LaRoche, Laynie LaRoche and Wesley LaRoche and numerous nephews, nieces, other relatives and many friends.

Pallbearers will be Buddy Carlson, Johnny Price, Mike Patranella, Barry Rose, Frank Bush and Brian Barton.

Honorary pallbearers will be Caldwell Men's Lions Club and Caldwell Volunteer Fire Department.

The family wishes to extend their appreciation to the Doctors of Scott & White Clinic and to Traditions Home Health and Hospice for the care and compassion they demonstrated during Brewer's illness.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church.

# Cemetery Details

## Caldwell Masonic Cemetery

1411 W. Buck St.  
Caldwell, TX

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 13.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Caldwell  
404 W. Buck St.  
Caldwell, TX 77836  
(979) 567-3232  
phillipsandluckeyfh@yahoo.com  
<https://www.phillipsandluckey.com/>

## Funeral Service

**MAY 14.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Assembly of God Church Caldwell  
1206 W. 12th  
Caldwell, TX

# Tribute Wall

YF

“ Your Pflugerville High School Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of A. W. Brewer.



Your Pflugerville High School Family - May 13, 2016 at 10:20 AM

BG

“ Bettye, Gerald and Janet Grimsley purchased the Spring Has Sprung Mixed Basket for the family of A. W. Brewer.



Bettye, Gerald and Janet Grimsley - May 13, 2016 at 09:59 AM

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“ The SISSON Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of A. W. Brewer.



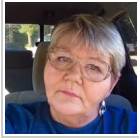
The SISSON Family - May 12, 2016 at 09:20 PM



“ Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of A. W. Brewer.



May 12, 2016 at 05:49 PM



“ We played many a round of golf out at Copperas Hollow. he always gave me a hug when he saw me. He will be missed.  
*Deb Stautzenberger*

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**Deborah Stautzenberger** - May 12, 2016 at 05:07 PM

ME

“ A.W never knew a stranger he was always friendly. He will be greatly missed.

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**Melissa** - May 12, 2016 at 11:23 AM

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“ May family and friends help in coping with your loss, and may the promises found in God's Word help ease your sadness, one day soon, death will be swallowed up forever - Isaiah 25:8; Psalm 83:18

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**Doris** - May 11, 2016 at 10:08 PM

JD

“ When I worked at First State Bank he was a director. There was never a time when he didn't speak or give you a hug and ask how you've been. Always lending a helping hand and not expecting anything in return. I will always remember "Brewer" and his big smile. Keeping his family in my prayers.  
*Jo Ann (Bates) Degelia*

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**Jo Ann Degelia** - May 11, 2016 at 04:50 PM

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“ *Mr. Brewer always had a word of encouragement. My family loves him. I can't remember a time when he was not a part of my life. My grandson, Hays, cried when his Daddy told him Mr. Brewer was gone. That little boy loved him because he made him feel special. We will miss you, but know you are in a better place.*

*Nita Beavers*

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**Nita Beavers** - May 11, 2016 at 03:28 PM