



Bennie Charles Jaehne

April 3, 1946 - July 5, 2011

Funeral services for Bennie Jaehne, 65, of Giddings, are scheduled for Saturday, July 9, 2011, at 10 a.m. at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. Burial to follow at the Giddings City Cemetery, with a barbeque luncheon afterwards at the Texas Grand Ballroom, 780 N. Orange, Giddings, Texas. Public visitation is scheduled for Friday, July 8, 2011, from 7 a.m. - 9 p.m. at the funeral home. Bennie Charles Jaehne was born on April 3, 1946, in Brenham, Texas to Herman E. Jaehne, Jr. & Gertrude Clara (Galipp) Jaehne. He graduated from Giddings High School in 1964 and married Frances Liberty in 1968. They were married for 12 years. Bennie married Charlotte Bardin on January 9, 1981, in Giddings. He was a 30 year member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Giddings and an active member of the community. Bennie joined his wife in the last few years of his life as an avid Bible student, and made a personal dedication in 2010, as one of Jehovah's Witnesses. Bennie owned a welding shop and also did custom hay hauling and plowing before entering the oil and gas business as Chief Landman for Humble Exploration Company (HECI) in 1976, successfully negotiating leases for more than 130,000 acres in the Giddings Field of the Austin Chalk. In 1979, he was placed in charge of all field operations for HECI, where his duties included leasing land, locating seismic lines, staking wells to be drilled, flowing back new wells, building all locations and overseeing production efforts. Bennie worked as an Independent Landman before forming Giddings Oil & Gas with his son Mark. Bennie was a lifelong entrepreneur and oil and

gas investor in Lee County and surrounding areas. He was currently a co-founder and vice-president of Leexus Oil LLC in Giddings. Bennie was an avid Giddings High School Football fan and enjoyed attending his grandchildren's sporting events. Bennie was a great father and grandfather to all his children and grandchildren. He took great pride in the landscaping and outdoor design of his home. Bennie was preceded in death by his parents, Herman Jaehne, Jr., & Gertrude Galipp Jaehne. He is survived by his wife, Charlotte Jaehne of Giddings; six children, Mark & Melody Jaehne of Giddings, Michelle & Bobby Lewis of George West, Stacey & Daniel Couch of Giddings, John & Melissa Gross of George West, Patrick & Jolene Jaehne of Bastrop and Billy and Sarah Jaehne of Bastrop; twelve grandchildren, Michelle Guzman, Hunter Jaehne, Averye Jaehne & Gage Jaehne all of Giddings, Riley Lewis & Emily Lewis of George West, Jadan Couch of Giddings, Destiny Gross & Brandon Gross of George West, Hunter Wells of Bastrop and Stella Jaehne of Bastrop; brother, Herman & Caroline Jaehne of Ledbetter, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, other extended family members and friends. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Giddings Youth Football League, P.O. Box 726, Giddings, Texas 78942, the Giddings Buffalo Booster Club, P.O. Box 345, Giddings, Texas 78942 or the charity of one's choice.

Tribute Wall

LH

“ *Bennie Charles Jaehne*

Linda & Russ Hauser - July 08, 2011 at 09:50 AM

DM

“ *Bennie Charles Jaehne*

Debbie Recks McCormick - July 07, 2011 at 07:15 PM

RS

“ *Bennie Charles Jaehne*

Randy Stewart - July 07, 2011 at 02:00 PM

SM

“ *Bennie Charles Jaehne*

Suzanna haas Medack - July 07, 2011 at 10:03 AM

SS

“ *Bennie Charles Jaehne*

Sherwin & Jane Siegmund - July 07, 2011 at 09:19 AM

BL

“ *Bennie Charles Jaehne*

Bily Leath - July 07, 2011 at 09:10 AM

CJ

“ *Bennie Charles Jaehne*

Christie Jenkins - July 07, 2011 at 08:07 AM

JE

“ *Bennie Charles Jaehne*

jim edsel - July 06, 2011 at 07:49 PM

DT

“ *Bennie Charles Jaehne*

David and Nancy thomsen - July 06, 2011 at 06:43 PM

RL

“ *Bennie Charles Jaehne*

richard and Judy Leath - July 06, 2011 at 12:13 AM

RW

“ *Bennie Charles Jaehne*

Richard G. Wieder - July 05, 2011 at 11:36 PM

MF

“ *Bennie Charles Jaehne*

Mark and Family - July 05, 2011 at 04:21 PM

LC

“ *Bennie Charles Jaehne*

Lara Christopher Chapman - July 05, 2011 at 02:12 PM