



## Charles Ernest Praesel

February 23, 1937 - March 21, 2012

Charles Ernest Praesel, 75, of Caldwell passed away Wednesday, March 21, 2012 at Hospice Brazos Valley Inpatient Facility in Bryan. Services will be held Saturday, March 24 at 10:00 am at First Assembly of God Church in Caldwell, with Rev. David Ryman officiating. Burial will be in Caldwell Masonic Cemetery with military honors under the auspices of VFW Post 4458 of Caldwell. Visitation will be from 5 pm until 8 pm Friday at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Caldwell. Mr. Praesel was born February 23, 1937 in Milam County to Carl Arthur and Ida (Schramm) Praesel. He was a US Army veteran, having served in Germany in 1961-62. A heavy equipment operator, he was employed by TXU in Mt. Pleasant for 25 years prior to his retirement in 1992. Upon retirement, he became a full-time rancher on his family homestead with the Praesel Cattle Company along with his brother Arthur Gus Praesel. As a member of First Assembly of God Church of Caldwell, he served as a member of the board of deacons for 18 years. Prior to this, he had served as a deacon at the Assembly of God Church of Mt. Vernon, TX, for 16 years. Mr. Praesel enjoyed gardening, raising and eating catfish, and heavy equipment side-work. He was devoted to his daily Bible study, attending church, and supporting the cause of world missions. He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, John Praesel; a sister, Mary Praesel Fleming and two grandsons, Matthew and Thomas Roe. Survivors include his beloved wife of 49 years, Mary Ann Praesel of Caldwell; two daughters and a son-in-law, Nanette and Donald Roe of Flint and Pamela Praesel of Bryan; a brother

and sister-in-law, Arthur Gus and Virginia Praesel of Rockdale; a brother-in-law, Ken Fleming of Palmer; a sister-in-law, Birdie Kristoff; and "Pepper" his faithful dog. Pallbearers will be Roger Praesel, Charles Alford, James Kristoff, Joel Cowan, Bruce Aspgren, and Troy Poehl. Honorary pallbearers will be Ken Anderson, Nick Gilley, Todd Huddleston, D. J. Strickland, Paul Martin and Shannon Outland. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Hospice Brazos Valley.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Ernest Praesel*

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