



Claude Pierce "Buddy" Hatcher

February 4, 1947 - January 18, 2016

Claude Pierce "Buddy" Hatcher, 68 of Rockdale, gained his angel wings Monday, January 18, 2016. Memorial services will be 6:00 p.m. Thursday, January 21, 2016 at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Rockdale with Johnny Menges officiating. Buddy was cremated according to his wishes. Visitation is 5:00 p.m. until service time on Thursday.

Mr. Hatcher was born February 4, 1947 in Beckley, West Virginia to Niddy O'Rear. He and Kathryn Colston were married November 9, 1971 in Bay Cliff, Texas.

He had worked at McClain's in Texas City for 20 years, Alcoa in Rockdale in the Safety Parts Department for 15 years and O'Reilley's in Rockdale the past few years.

Mr. Hatcher was a 1966 graduate of Texas City High School and a veteran of the Vietnam Conflict, serving in the U.S. Army. He was an avid Texas Longhorn fan, he enjoyed going to and watching his son Donald coach high school football. Buddy played golf, on line poker and he loved when his grandchildren came to visit.

Buddy is preceded in death by his mother, Niddy O'Rear; father, Ted Hatcher; Step father, Robert O'Rear and his younger brother, Danny Hatcher.

Survivors are his wife, Kathryn Hatcher of Rockdale; son, Michael Gallaway of Jacksonville, Florida; daughter, Tasha and husband Leo Inocencio of Austin; son, Donald and wife Jamie Hatcher of Little Elm, Texas; brother, Bobby Hatcher of Rockdale; six grandchildren, Kristen Southern, Amanda Wilbanks, Jacob Inocencio, Jeremy Inocencio, Benjamin Hatcher and Brayden Hatcher; four great-grandchildren, Anastasia Wilbanks, Carli Southern, Kayla Southern and Alexander Wilbanks.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 21. 6:00 PM (CT)

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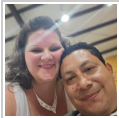
Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Claude Pierce "Buddy" Hatcher*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - January 21, 2016 at 11:51 AM



Enjoyed this tribute of life of Buddy. He was always very pleasant to be around. It's been a pleasure of knowing you. Thank you for all the good laughs in life. You will be missed.

Tammy Gallaway - January 21, 2016 at 03:26 PM

HD

Such a good man. I was so honored to know him.

Heather Adams Choate Day - January 21, 2016 at 04:44 PM

GM

*He always had a smile on his face. I'm glad I got to know him many years ago at church in Bacliff.
Rest in the arms of Jesus*

Gail Easterling Marcelo - January 22, 2016 at 06:44 AM

CF

“ Buddy a dear friend that we never met. We live in Tampa, FL and Dan, my husband, started playing computer golf on Skype in 2010. Since Dan was new with Skype, Buddy, not even knowing Dan very long mailed him a headset to use so they could talk while playing golf. Then my husband Dan came down with lung cancer in 2012 and Buddy constantly called to be sure Dan was OK. When Buddy was diagnosed, he called us in Florida immediately and told us of his diagnosis and we spoke every week to be sure he was OK. He will be truly missed and will be in heaven where all angels should be. We love you Buddy, Carrie and Dan Ferrara, Tampa, Florida. If you care to call this is our number 813-961-0890.

Carrie and Dan Ferrara - January 22, 2016 at 11:47 AM

DB

“ Derenda Burdette lit a candle in memory of Claude Pierce "Buddy" Hatcher



Derenda Burdette - January 21, 2016 at 08:29 PM

DB

Rest in peace Buddy, until we meet again! 'cuz Derenda

Derenda Burdette - January 21, 2016 at 08:33 PM

RF

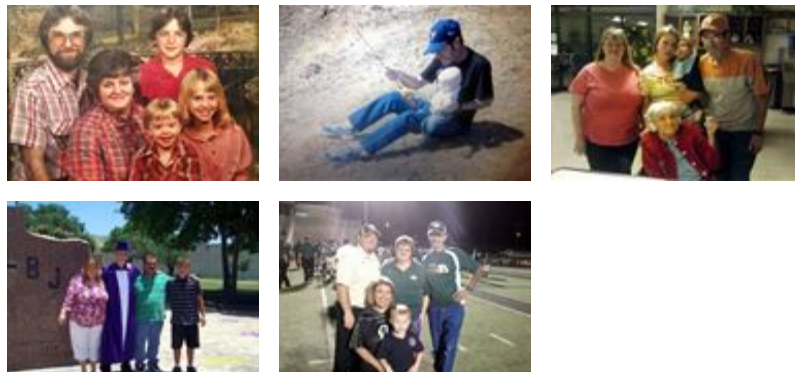
“ Rex (Jake) Wilkins Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Claude Pierce "Buddy" Hatcher.



Rex (Jake) Wilkins Family - January 21, 2016 at 02:10 PM



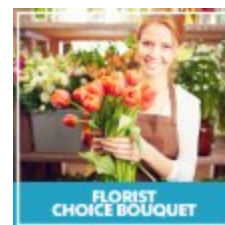
“ 60 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - January 21, 2016 at 11:15 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Claude Pierce "Buddy" Hatcher.



January 21, 2016 at 10:04 AM



“ *Little Elm HS Coaches* purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Claude Pierce "Buddy" Hatcher.



Little Elm HS Coaches - January 20, 2016 at 06:58 PM

CG

“ Sorry to hear of your loss! May God be with you and your family during this time of sorrow.



Cynthia George Galbreath - January 19, 2016 at 02:53 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Claude Pierce "Buddy" Hatcher.



January 19, 2016 at 09:27 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Claude Pierce "Buddy" Hatcher.



January 18, 2016 at 07:25 PM