



Cornell Earl Kunkel

January 5, 1950 - February 21, 2019

Funeral services for Cornell Kunkel, 69, of Paige, Texas, are scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 24, 2019 at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings with Pastor Patricia Ann When-Glowski officiating. Burial, with military honors provided by the Giddings American Legion York Post 276, will immediately follow in the Friendship Cemetery in Hills. Visitation will be held on Saturday, February 23, 2019 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. and on Sunday, February 24, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The family will be present for visitation Saturday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Cornell Earl Kunkel, age 69, of Paige, was called to his Heavenly Home on Thursday, February 21, 2019, after a courageous fight with Parkinson's Disease.

Cornell was born on January 5, 1950 to Earl and Amanda Kunkel of Paige, Texas. He was baptized and confirmed at Saint John's Lutheran Church. In 1969, Cornell was drafted into the army and served in Vietnam until 1971 with his friend Danny Maass. Cornell was united in marriage to Ethel Procell on October 14, 1972 at Saint John's Lutheran Church. Cornell was a founding member of the Paige Volunteer Fire Department. He was also a member of the Paige Community Center, the Paige Sons of Herman, and the Paige United Methodist Church. He enjoyed wood working and was a perfectionist in

his work. His masterpiece was the cabin he built at Pin Oak. He also enjoyed riding in the tractor, working in the fields, and raising cattle with his family. His family and friends were very important to him. He loved taking trips to the coast to relax and see the “big pool” with them. He and Ethel were blessed with two sons, Troy and Kevin. In 2002, they were blessed with their daughter Doris and in 2006 with their daughter Ann. Cornell was also blessed with two grandchildren, Lillian Clare “little cutie” in 2015 and Waylon Arthur “little man” in 2016 both of which were the little loves of his life.

He was preceded in death by his parents and four brothers-in-law.

Cornell is survived by his wife, Ethel of 46 years of Paige; two sons and daughters, Troy Kunkel & his wife, Ann of Paige and Kevin Kunkel & his wife, Doris of Paige, two grandchildren, Lillian Clare Kunkel and Waylon Arthur Kunkel both of Paige; and one brother Darrell Kunkel of Paige. He is also survived by two brothers-in-law and sisters-in law, Phillip Procell & his wife, Carol of Giddings and Ronnie Herzog & his wife, Ruby of Smithville; two sisters-in-law, Lillie Mae Voight of McDade and Shirley Orts of Paige, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Cornell loved baked goods and used to say, “A cookie is not a cookie unless it has chocolate chips and pecans in it.”

Pallbearers will be Todd Billings, Kevin Kunkel, Troy Kunkel, Curtis Orts, James Steinbach, and Ernie Voight. Honorary pallbearers will be numerous family and friends.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Paige United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 52, Paige, Texas 78659, Hospice Brazos Valley, 1048 North Jefferson Street, La Grange, Texas 78945 or to a charity of one’s choice.

Cemetery Details

Friendship Cemetery

650 Friendship Road
Paige, TX 78659

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **23**. 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings
3950 East Austin St.
Giddings, TX 78942
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phillipsluckey@yahoo.com
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Family Present for Visitation

FEB **23**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Chapel Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Cornell Earl Kunkel*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - February 22, 2019 at 04:13 PM

FB

Great video. He will surely be missed. May the Lord be with his family. God bless.


From the Birnbaums. - February 23, 2019 at 12:41 PM

GJ

“ *Our deepest condolences to the family.*



Gina & Ewaldt Knobloch, Jr - March 03, 2019 at 08:56 AM

 Kim
Russell

“ *The Lord will wrap his arms around you and give you comfort. God Bless, Rest In Peace.*

Kim Russell



Kim Russell - February 28, 2019 at 08:37 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Cornell Earl Kunkel.*



February 23, 2019 at 05:22 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Cornell Earl Kunkel.*



February 23, 2019 at 09:34 AM



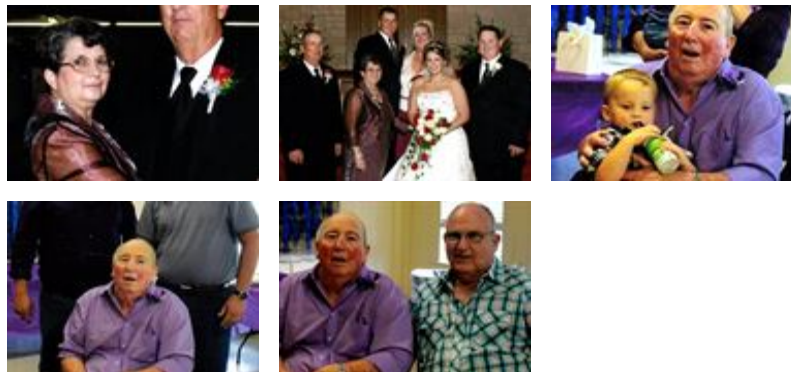
“ *Sandra Harzke sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornell Earl Kunkel*



Sandra Harzke - February 22, 2019 at 03:32 PM



“ 72 files added to the album Life Tributes



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - February 22, 2019 at 03:01 PM

MS

“ To Cornell's family: I will always remember what a kind and gentle person he was in high school with such a nice smile. Had good friends around him because he was one himself. May all your great memories of him comfort you in his absence. God has gained a sweet angel. Just so sorry to hear of his passing. Mary Ann Gonzales Sudduth

Mary Ann Gonzales Sudduth - February 22, 2019 at 01:19 PM

EP

“ "Go rest high on that mountain, boy your work on earth is done...."

Earl and Kim Pence - February 22, 2019 at 11:46 AM

KR

“ Kenny & Andrea Ray lit a candle in memory of Cornell Earl Kunkel



Kenny & Andrea Ray - February 21, 2019 at 09:25 PM

KR

“ *Kenny & Andrea Ray sent a virtual gift in memory of Cornell Earl Kunkel*



Kenny & Andrea Ray - February 21, 2019 at 09:24 PM

KA

“ *Kathy lit a candle in memory of Cornell Earl Kunkel*



Kathy - February 21, 2019 at 07:48 PM

KN

“ *We are so sorry for your loss! May God bless the family and the Holy Spirit comfort you!*

Kathy & Robert Neal - February 21, 2019 at 07:48 PM

IH

“ *We were so glad to see Cornell and family at our 50th Anniversary. It took great effort on his part and his family too. You could tell how much his family loved him and were devoted to him. I think it was so great that he was able to experience his and Ethel's anniversary party.
Find peace and rest now that you gave it your all. Cornell's love will be felt to guide you through the days ahead.
Love, Irene and Charles Harper*

Irene Harper - February 21, 2019 at 06:46 PM