



Eddie Wilbert Symmank

August 25, 1938 - March 30, 2014

Funeral services for Eddie Symmank, 75, of Manheim, Texas are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 3, 2014 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Fedor, Texas with Rev. Leif Hasskarl officiating. Burial will follow in the Lexington Cemetery in Lexington. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, April 2, 2014 from 11:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. and on Thursday, April 3, 2014 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The family will be present for visitation Wednesday evening from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.. Eddie Wilbert Symmank was born on August 25, 1938 in Manheim, Texas to Carl & Lena (Walther) Symmank. He was baptized on September 4, 1938 at Ebenezer Lutheran Church in Manheim by Rev. A.O. Kaltwasser and was confirmed on March 29, 1953 also at Ebenezer Lutheran Church by Rev. August Horn. He was united in marriage to Carolyn Christiansen on July 30, 1960 at Martin Luther Lutheran Church in Giddings. He farmed with his father until the drought in the 1950's. He then went to work at a dairy in Lincoln for a year before moving to Houston. While in Houston, he became a drywall contractor and eventually joined the Painter Union and started the Symmank Painting Company. Eddie was a rancher who enjoyed taking care of his cattle. Animals were always his passion and he also enjoyed deer hunting and fishing. He loved driving across the country. Eddie was known for tinkering and will be remembered as a true conversationalist who entertained by telling many stories. Eddie was extremely proud of his family and adored his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, especially watching Tatum

ride in her hunter/jumper shows. He also enjoyed making barbeque and family meals. Eddie passed away on Sunday, March 30, 2014 at his home in Manheim. He was preceded in death by his parents, sister-in-law, Audrey Symmank, nephews, Jerry Symmank, Terry Steglich and mother-in-law, Regina Howey. Eddie is survived by his wife, Carolyn Symmank of Manheim; two daughters and sons-in-law, Kathryn & Ross Friedrichs of Cypress and Carol & Robert Kennedy of Spring; son, Charles Symmank of Tomball; six grandchildren, Cara Kennedy of Houston, Ryan Friedrichs of Cypress, Christen Kennedy & her fiance, Jacob Long of Cypress, Matthew Kennedy & his fiance, Kristin Wilganowski of San Antonio, Jeremy Friedrichs of Cypress and Stefanie Symmank of Tomball; one great grandchild, Tatum Kennedy of Spring; two sisters, Ruby Wachsmann & her husband, Milton of Lincoln and Eunice Foerster & her husband, James of Manheim; brother, Earl Symmank of Manheim; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Shirley & Otis Marburger of Paige, Albert Christiansen of Houston, James & Deloris Steglich of Smithville, Jerry & Patsy Steglich of Giddings and Patrick Christiansen of Canyon Lake as well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Serving as pallbearers will be Ryan Friedrichs, Jeremy Friedrichs, Matthew Kennedy, Kevin Foerster, Christopher Cones, Gilbert Reuther, Darvin Lehmann and Daryl Symmank. Memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Tribute Wall

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“ *I can't believe it's been ten years already without you, grandpa. Was just thinking about you and it doesn't feel that long. We love and missed you this Easter.* ”

cara micic - March 31, 2024 at 10:48 PM

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That's so sweet Cara! I'm glad you posted this. Mom and I are sitting here talking about him.

Carol S. Kennedy - September 04, 2024 at 08:34 PM

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Sheryl Henson - April 08, 2014 at 01:40 PM

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