



Gary Lee Rawls

April 28, 1951 - February 8, 2011

We lay to rest a son, a brother, an uncle, a husband, a father and a friend, GARY LEE RAWLS. Gary left to be with the Lord on 02-08-2011, after a three year battle with cancer. He died quietly at home with his family. Gary was born in Hattiesburg, Mississippi. Gary was baptized at Black Creek by Oral Baptist Church of Sumrall, Mississippi. Gary attended school at Sumrall and Oak Grove and also at Pearl River College and Mississippi State. He served his country in the UNITED STATES ARMY as a paratrooper with the 82nd Airborne, at Ft. Bragg, North Carolina and with the 101st Screaming Eagles. He had an Honorable Discharge. Gary worked in the Oil Industry for 35 years, with the last 28 years of work with GeoSouthern Energy Corporation, Brenham Texas. He was an avid hunter and fisherman, who loved the outdoors. Gary was a resident of Burleson County and long time member of Harmony Baptist Church of Caldwell, Texas and First Baptist Church of Somerville, Texas. Gary Lee Rawls is preceded in death by parents, Coy Lee Rawls and mother, Irene Pace; grandparents, Rich Rawls and Ozella Grice; and grandparents, Sercy Pace and Ola Herrin; granddaughter Emily Grace Rawls. Gary Rawls is survived by his loving family; Wife, Linda Green. Sons: David Lee Rawls and wife, Cindy Page ; Lee Sercy Pace Rawls and wife, Melissa Coleman . Daughters: Stephanie Diane Wolfley, Shana Kay Rawls, Jenilee Ruth and husband, James Nathan Williams. Grandchildren: John Roland Wolfley III, William Ryan Rawls, Jack Coy Rawls, Kevin Brooks, Ariel Long, and McKayla Long. Brothers: Jerry Glenn Rawls and wife, Margie

Cameron ; Larry Pace Rawls and wife, DeAnn Saucier. Sister: Terri Lorene Culpepper and husband, Joel . Nieces- Tracy Pugh and husband Andy , Jackie, Jordan and Jessica Culpepper. Nephews: Brad Rawls and wife, Tina Goff, Chad, Adam and Levi Rawls and numerous cousins. Funeral Services were held in Sumrall, Mississippi at Oral Baptist Church on 02/12/2011. Close friends acted as pall bearers: Paul & Tim Culliver, Larry Blackwell of Brenham, Texas; Austin Stuart, Michael Patterson, and Gary Knight of Hattiesburg, Mississippi. Gary was laid to rest next to his parents in Oral Baptist Cemetery. Funeral Services were handled by Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Caldwell, Texas and Jones & Son Funeral Home in Hattiesburg, MS.