



Merle Bruce Kay

June 2, 1937 - April 15, 2022

Funeral services for Bruce Kay, 84 of Giddings, are scheduled for Saturday, April 23, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church in Giddings. Visitation will be held on Saturday, April 23, 2022 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings.

Merle Bruce Kay was born on June 2, 1937 in Laredo, Texas to Merle Fleetwood and Margaret (Ray) Kay. After going to college at Sam Houston, Bruce worked on several ranches as a foreman. Bruce married Carol Dykes on February 14, 2017 in Giddings, Texas. During the oil boom he started Kay Services which supplied many oil field companies. He went on to be a salesman for Halliburton where he worked until retirement. Bruce was a past president of the Texas Youth Rodeo Association and assisted with the Matagorda County Roping Club. He enjoyed being outdoors hunting, fish, riding, roping, and working with his cattle. Bruce liked to play dominoes, watch old westerns, go to rodeos, and traveling to Louisiana. Most of all he loved spending time with his family and friends.

Bruce passed away the morning of Friday, April 15, 2022 at his home in Giddings, Texas.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Merle and Margaret Kay, and his granddaughter, Ashley Dorchuck.

Bruce is survived by his wife, Carol Kay of Giddings; two sons, Lamar & Melissa Kay of Vidor and Kenneth Kay of La Grange; daughter, Kimberly Kretschmar of New Zealand; three granddaughters, Natalie Womack of Vidor, Valerie and Theron Reynolds of Vidor, and Hillary Smith and Jason Noyola of Nederland; eleven great grandchildren, and one sister, Marguerite and Bob Parnell of Sandia.

Memorials may be made to the Cal Farley's Boys Ranch or to First Presbyterian Church.

Previous Events

Public Visitation

APR **23**. 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings
3950 East Austin Street
Giddings, TX 78942

Church Service

APR **23**. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church
192 South Grimes Street
Giddings, TX 78942

Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Merle Bruce Kay*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - April 19, 2022 at 03:00 PM

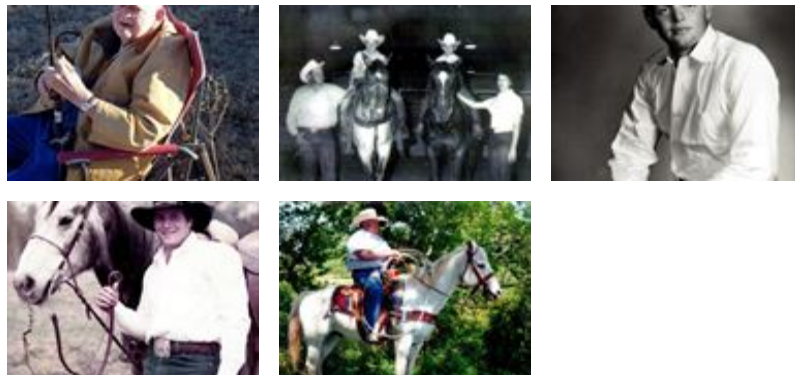
BK

Beautiful video! Wonderful memories.

Betty Kubesch - April 22, 2022 at 03:00 PM



“ *52 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - April 19, 2022 at 02:56 PM

MB

“ Mike Fry & Mike Brumels purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Merle Bruce Kay.



Mike Fry & Mike Brumels - April 19, 2022 at 12:47 PM

JS

“ Mr. Kay was one of the best card and domino player. A man with such respect, may he rest in peace.

Jamie sliva - April 19, 2022 at 10:11 AM

PS

“ Patsy Steglich lit a candle in memory of Merle Bruce Kay



Patsy Steglich - April 19, 2022 at 08:15 AM

AB

“ You will be so missed. Such good memories for so many years.

arline Brune - April 18, 2022 at 07:14 PM

TM

“ Teresa Muniz lit a candle in memory of Merle Bruce Kay



Teresa Muniz - April 18, 2022 at 09:36 AM

JH

“ We are sorry for your loss. May God comfort all of the family.

Sylvia (Schimek) and Jimmy Huey

Jimmy and Sylvia Huey - April 17, 2022 at 10:27 PM