



## Wilburn T. Dyer

January 11, 1934 - August 13, 2015

Memorial service for W.T. Dyer, 81 of Rockdale will be 10:00 a.m. Saturday, August 22, 2015 at Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Minerva.

W.T. Dyer was born January 11, 1934 in Milam County to Nicholas E. and Mary Elizabeth (Isbell) Dyer. He graduated in 1951 from Rockdale High School. He and Winnie McClure were married on May 1, 1959. W.T. worked as a Service Technician with Lone Star Gas for 38 years. His service area was Clifton, Temple, Rockdale, Mart, and Cameron. He was a member of First Baptist Church and a longtime member of Mt. Zion Baptist Church. W.T. coached boys youth baseball teams in each town where they lived. He coached his brother, Ronnie, his son, his daughter, and several nephews. W.T. loved to work in his craft shop. He began designing and building various things through the years for his family as a hobby. His craftwork was often admired by others. Shortly before retiring W.T. would display his work at local craft shows. After his retirement from the gas company he stayed busy building special orders requested from others who viewed his work. W.T. spent the next sixteen years designing and building crafts with his wife and grandson. They traveled to craft shows throughout Texas before retiring due to poor health. His work can still be seen in many homes all over the U.S. .

W.T. passed away Thursday, August 13, 2015 in the Richards Memorial Hospital. He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Nickie

Slaughter in December of 1965 and Glenda Gerren on January 15, 2012.

Surviving are his wife of 56 years, Winnie Dyer of Rockdale; Son, James Dyer of Rockdale; Daughter, Debra Bergert and husband Doug of Temple; Adopted son, Travis Dyer of Rockdale; Brother, Ronnie Dyer and wife Judy of Waco; Sisters, Joyce Betchan and husband Stanley of Rockdale, Judy Mills and husband Billy of Medina and June Withers and husband John of Bryan; Seven grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

# Tribute Wall

CW

“ Winnie - we are soooooo sorry we are not there with you. I will miss seeing WT at the nursing home.

*We hope you are doing o.k. and look forward to seeing you when we get back. You are in our prayers.*

*Pat and Charlie Watson*

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**Charlie and Pat Watson** - August 21, 2015 at 04:19 PM

JL

“ Jan & Leroy Langston purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of Wilburn T. Dyer.



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**Jan & Leroy Langston** - August 20, 2015 at 04:38 PM

TH

“ I only got to live in the same little town with W.T. about four years, I got to know him pretty well. yes I remember the rabbit hunting in the back of the old truck, there was always a bunch of boys, and girls to. I remember on night he ran off the road, bent the right fender a little, it didn't stop us from having fun. after we moved away, Mary and I would go back to Minervia reunions, we would always visit with W.T, and Winnie. the last time we were there Mary and I had breakfast with W.T. and Winnie. Ill never forget W.T. Dyer and his wife. You know, he and Mary can visit now. My condolences to all the family

*W.T.Hammonds (Tommy)*

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**Tommy Hammonds** - August 17, 2015 at 09:04 PM

JR

“ WT was part of my life as a teenager and that part is full of great memories. He was always ready to be part of the fun and to provide transportation in the pickup for most of the Minerva kids. The pickup was used for night rabbit hunting which was frowned upon by the law. He help us find work at the farm with peanuts and watermelon harvesting. He was a big part of my life. I left shortly after high school and have only seen WT one time since. His memory will remain with me. My condolences to the family.

*Johnny Ricketson*

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**Johnny Ricketson** - August 15, 2015 at 09:40 PM

DB

*Thank you Johnny for sharing! You were a common name around our home these last few years. Daddy mentioned you many times and enjoyed sharing those stories about transportation. I never heard the rabbit hunting story but I am very familiar with the pickup and him working on the farm.*

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**Debbie Bergert** - August 16, 2015 at 12:14 PM

JM

*T was our big brother. A big brother to six siblings. For sixteen years he had to tolerate five little sisters(including a set of twins). Then when he was 16 he got that little brother. He was a survivor. He was always there for us and we will miss him so much. Love you T.*

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**Judy Mills** - August 16, 2015 at 09:38 PM

BS

*I know he is in a better place. WT was my Sunday school teacher when I was in the 6th grade. He was a really neat man and always had a smile.*

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**Becky Shuffield** - August 17, 2015 at 01:03 PM

CS

*GOOD MORNING MRS.JUDY I AM SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT WT DYER TELL BRO. RONNIE THAT WE SINCERLY LOVE AND MISS YOU BOTH LOVE CHUCK AND BETH.*

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**CHUCK SIMMONS** - August 18, 2015 at 05:46 AM

VW

*I was so sorry to hear about W T. He and Winnie was responsible for keeping up with all our classmates so we could get together for class reunions; I always enjoyed talking with them and keeping up with news of our classmates. He will be greatly missed. Our condolences to the family*

*Class of '51.*

*Velmalene williams*

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**Velmalene Williams** - August 19, 2015 at 05:25 AM

DM

*Uncle WT and Aunt Winnie always made me feel special and loved as a little girl. See you soon in glory where we will never say goodbye.*

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**Donna Moors** - August 23, 2015 at 03:07 PM