



## William Rainey Owen Jr.

March 20, 1930 - March 13, 2023

William "Rainey" Owen Jr. passed away peacefully Monday, March 13, 2023, one week shy of his 93rd birthday.

He is survived by his wife, Rita of Lexington; his children, Michael Owen and wife Debra of Syracuse, New York; John Owen and wife Denice of Cary, North Carolina; Diane Smothermon and husband Rick of Bastrop, Texas; Kelly Josh of Austin, and Chris Josh and wife Viv of Plano, Texas; his brother Dan Owen of Austin; his sister-in-law Vonnie Owen of Albuquerque, NM; special nephew David Owen and wife Roxie of Lexington, Texas, and 12 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and friends.

A memorial service for Rainey will be held at a later date.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Rainey and Rita were my favorite people at the clinic I work at. Love seeing them come in and bantering with them. Rainey, I'll let you bullride now! 🥰* ”

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**Jen Spengler** - March 31, 2023 at 07:29 AM

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“ *Rainey and Rita welcomed me to their newspaper family when I moved to Lexington. A photo of them, with Cindy and I, hangs above my desk at home. Rainey always had kind words for me. My prayers are Rita and the family.* ”

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**Maggie Beasley** - March 14, 2023 at 07:52 PM

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“ *Thank you for allowing us in your home. I am sorry for your loss. For the sort time I knew Rainey and his awesome family, I loved you all.* ”

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**Virginia Raley** - March 14, 2023 at 07:25 PM