



Zack "Jack" Nimitz Pennington

June 22, 1944 - November 1, 2022

Funeral services for Zack "Jack" Pennington, 78 of Houston, are scheduled for 11:00 am on Friday, November 11, 2022 at St. Mark Lutheran Church in Houston. A graveside service will be held on Friday afternoon at 4:00 pm in the Giddings Memorial Park. Military honors will be provided by Giddings American Legion York Post 276.

Zack Nimitz Pennington was born on June 22, 1944 in Clay, Texas to O.P. Pennington and Mabel (Coleman) Pennington. After graduating from Snook High School, he attended Blinn College on a basketball scholarship. He joined the US Army Reserves in December of 1964 and was called up for active service in June of 1968 during the Vietnam War. Jack received his honorable discharge in August 1970 from Fort Riley, KS. Jack married the love of his life, Lounell Matthijetz, on June 18, 1966 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Old Dime Box, Texas. They were blessed with three children and five grandchildren. He continued his education at the University of Houston and graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Technology. Jack worked in the commercial construction management field as an electrical estimator. His employment took him from Houston to Saudi Arabia, New York City, and the Washington DC area before retiring from Jacobs Engineering in 2013 in Houston. Jack's passions were basketball (All State Team in 1962), fishing, golf, and all things Elvis. He was baptized and confirmed as an adult by Reverend L. Boriack at Trinity Lutheran Church in Old Dime Box. Above all, he was a man of faith and

family.

Jack passed away the morning of Tuesday, November 1, 2022 at Memorial Hermann Memorial City Hospital in Houston, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his parents, O.P. and Mabel Pennington; sisters, Margie Clayton, Louise Cozzy, Ruth Cozzy, Jean Franks, and Frances Wessinger; brothers, O.P. Pennington Jr., William "Dee" Pennington, James Pennington, John Pennington, and Thomas "Mac" Pennington.

Jack is survived by his wife, Lounell Pennington of Houston; three children, Scott Pennington of Houston, David Pennington of Houston, and Kristen (Jason) Leavitt of Maryland; five grandchildren, Zachary Pennington and Meghan Pennington of South Carolina, Allison Pennington of Abilene, and Charlotte Leavitt and Jack Leavitt of Maryland; one brother, Larry (Gloria) Pennington of College Station; one sister, Jolynn Turner of Caldwell; sister-in-law, Eunice Hobratschk of Giddings; brother-in-law, Marvin (Charlyn) Matthijets of Loebau, and many nephews, nieces, and friends.

Memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Cemetery Details

Giddings Memorial Park

900 West Austin Street
Giddings, TX 78942

Previous Events

Funeral Service

NOV 11. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Mark Lutheran Church
1515 Hillendahl
Houston, TX 77055

Graveside Service

NOV 11. 4:00 PM (CT)

Giddings Memorial Park
900 West Austin Street
Giddings, TX 78942

Tribute Wall

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“ Karen Able purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Zack "Jack" Nimitz Pennington.



Karen Able - November 10, 2022 at 01:16 PM



“ Napa Valley Charm Wine Gift Basket was purchased for the family of Zack "Jack" Nimitz Pennington.



November 10, 2022 at 09:23 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Zack "Jack" Nimitz Pennington.



November 10, 2022 at 08:26 AM



“ Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Zack "Jack" Nimitz Pennington.



November 07, 2022 at 06:11 PM