



## Mr. Eddy Ray Burks

May 8, 1948 - July 20, 2022

Funeral services for Mr. Eddy Ray Burks, 74, of Henderson, will be held at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, July 23, 2022, at First Free Will Baptist Church of Henderson with Bro. David Rudd officiating. Interment will follow at Strong Cemetery under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

The family will receive friends from 9:00 a.m. until service time on Saturday, July 23, 2022, at the church.

Mr. Burks passed from this life on Wednesday, July 20, 2022, in Tyler. He was born on May 8, 1948 to the late Clifford Ray and Inez (Husband) Burks. Eddy served his country for 18 months in the US Army. He was retired after working for 30 years with the US Postal Service, and had also worked prior to that as a machinist at E & S Manufacturing machine shop in Longview. He was a former member of Roquemore Missionary Baptist Church as well as a current member of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Henderson for over 40 years.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Brittoni Rae Burks.

Survivors include: his wife Mitzi Thrasher Burks of Henderson; son Brodrick Langston Burks and wife Christal of Henderson; brother Ronnie Burks of Arp, two sisters, Lois Carpenter of Henderson, and Patsy Moore and husband

Kenneth "Buck" of Henderson; two grandchildren, Brooklynn Rae and Beau Langston Burks; and a host of nieces, nephews, family, and friends.

Pallbearers are Brodrick Burks, Jeremy Stafford, Justin Cameron, Ronnie Burks, Rickey Thrasher, Bryan Smith, Thomas Pitts, and Roger Zavala. Honorary pallbearers are Sidney Cox, Randy Bryan, Barry Back, Benny Medford, Gayle Berry, and East Texas Classic Muscle Cars.

Memorials may be made to the charity of your choice.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at [www.crawfordacrim.com](http://www.crawfordacrim.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Strong Cemetery

CR 333  
Henderson, TX 75652

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 23. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

First Free Will Baptist Church  
913 Richardson Dr.  
Henderson, TX 75654

## Service

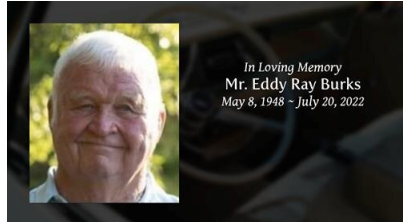
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home** - July 22, 2022 at 10:24 AM

LL

*Sorry to hear this. Will miss you Eddy.*

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**Lulu lopez** - July 23, 2022 at 09:45 PM

CH

*Sorry for your loss. He will me missed*

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**Cat Hawk** - August 05, 2022 at 07:49 AM

JB

“ *Janet Bonds lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Janet Bonds** - August 17, 2022 at 09:36 PM



Roberta  
Vallantyne

“ *Roberta Vallantyne lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Roberta Vallantyne** - July 26, 2022 at 04:42 PM



CN

“ *Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb** - July 24, 2022 at 01:09 PM



MD

“ *Mary Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Mary Davis** - July 24, 2022 at 11:39 AM



PD

“ *I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Eddy. Prayers for all the family.*

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**Pat Dawson** - July 23, 2022 at 12:06 PM



“ *Russell Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Russell Davis** - July 23, 2022 at 11:33 AM



“ *Surprised and saddened at the passing of Eddy Burks! Our long time mail carrier Long Glade Lake, Rusk County.*



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**Loretta Powers** - July 23, 2022 at 10:25 AM



“ *Margaret Green Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Margaret Green Brown** - July 23, 2022 at 09:47 AM



“ *Lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Christy Stanart** - July 23, 2022 at 06:34 AM

JH

“ Bro. Eddy was a wonderful guy. I mention him often. We are praying for his dear family.

John High - July 22, 2022 at 05:33 PM

CH

“ Christi Hays lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



Christi Hays - July 22, 2022 at 03:51 PM

CC

“ This is from Terry and Charlene Costlow you will be missed RIP



Charlene Costlow - July 22, 2022 at 03:36 PM

KD

“ So sorry to hear about Eddy's passing. I remember him as a teenager. His family lived on a road just off the Carthage Highway down from us. I remember seeing him driving a car down a dusty red-dirt road that had a homemade "license plate" hanging off somewhere on the back of it that said "Wild Ride." I'm sure it was! RIP, Eddy. Prayers for you and your family, Mitzi.

Karla Whitehead DeLuca - July 22, 2022 at 01:11 PM

KC

“ *Kristy Campbell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Kristy Campbell** - July 22, 2022 at 10:29 AM

VA

“ Not just "a" memory I have, but instead a "lifetime." We started calling him Uncle Eddy when Deac was born. Until then, he was just Eddy because he was more like one of us kids. His presence was a constant in my life and he invested greatly in me.

My love for motorcycles, water skiing, and drag racing can all be credited to him as he taught me how to do and took me to watch. He stopped by once to show me his new Harley and said "get on, let's go around the block." I did, of course, and we ended up in Logansport, Louisiana! Got a Coke and candy bar and came home.



We'd leave EARLY and he'd let me sleep on the way to Ennis. We had to be early to walk around the pits, up close to the cars, before races started. We got to watch Eddie Hill race a four second run in his top fueler and we talked about it the whole way home. He stopped by my house, not long ago, said "get in," and I did, of course. We cruised the streets in a muscle car he'd bought. After a minute, he pulled over and said trade seats, you drive, and I did, of course. Not being satisfied with my "cruising" speed, he said "you scared? Get on it!" and I did, of course. We burned rubber down Main St and he was still grinning afterwards when he pulled off from my house.

He was patient when teaching Tami and I things as evidenced by his teaching Mo to "pitch" that high- back spinning-drop in behind the plate-wicked pitch that very few Baptists, Presbyterians, COCs, or Methodists could hit! 😊 He yelled instructions from the sidelines too when she did it wrong! He would repeatedly turn the boat around to pick me back up telling me to "bend your knees" or "keep your arms straight" when water skiing. After being satisfied with my performance, he would then stop, jump in the lake, tell me to drive the boat and keep it at 30. 30mph was our slalom cruising speed as we determined by his first boat that had a speedometer.

Not having grandkids yet when Deac was born, he took right to him. My heart was so full when watching him throw my laughing kid up in the air like he used to do me. Part of me was wishing I was still being tossed in the air, yelling and laughing! His picking, playing, and robust personality made him fun.

*He loved life, his family, and God. He was one of a kind (thank God 🙏) and will be missed dearly. He knew I loved him. 💕  
My heart is full again though when I think about that HUGE smile of his as he embraces Brittoni. He's probably STILL throwing her up in the air!*

**Vicki Ann** - July 22, 2022 at 09:48 AM

KC

“ *Kim Cobb lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



**Kim Cobb** - July 22, 2022 at 09:47 AM

BB

“ *Blake Ballenger lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



**Blake Ballenger** - July 22, 2022 at 08:07 AM

KE

“ *Karin. Eubanks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



**Karin. Eubanks** - July 22, 2022 at 02:00 AM

LW

“ Lynn Winfrey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



Lynn Winfrey - July 22, 2022 at 12:07 AM

RL

“ Randy&Debbie Lyles lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



Randy&Debbie Lyles - July 21, 2022 at 11:58 PM

SD

“ Shay Ditter and family



Shay Ditter - July 21, 2022 at 11:53 PM

RA

“ RON AUDAS lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



RON AUDAS - July 21, 2022 at 10:12 PM

CR

“ Brodrick and family we are saddened to hear that you've lost your father. Praying for peace in the days to come.  
Matt, Cammie & the boys

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**Camie Richard** - July 21, 2022 at 09:52 PM

SR

“ Suzanne Reed lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



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**Suzanne Reed** - July 21, 2022 at 09:27 PM

KW

“ Kathy Webb lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



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**Kathy Webb** - July 21, 2022 at 09:18 PM

LB

“ Love n prayers for Mitzi n family❤️❤️



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**Linda Bridges** - July 21, 2022 at 09:03 PM

VD

“ Eddy was such a sweet person. Troy loved talking cars & motorcycles with him. He also had a good time with Eddy when they went deep sea fishing even tho Eddy got sick on the boat. Rest In Peace Eddy 😭

Vicki Dowmont - July 21, 2022 at 09:01 PM

VD

“ Vicki Dowmont lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



Vicki Dowmont - July 21, 2022 at 08:56 PM



“ So sorry to hear the passing of Eddy. He will be missed by many. He was a good man.



LeroyBrenda Blankenship - July 21, 2022 at 08:54 PM

LW

“ Lisa Watts lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



Lisa Watts - July 21, 2022 at 07:59 PM

SM

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Susie Marsh - July 21, 2022 at 07:44 PM

DC

“ He always had a way of making everyone smile. He will be missed. May he rest in peace. Prayers to all of his loved ones.



Dot Marcum Choate - July 21, 2022 at 07:21 PM

DA

“ Mitzi, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.  
Dovena Akins



Dovena Mitchell Akins - July 21, 2022 at 06:56 PM

VB

“ So sorry to hear about Eddy. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.



Vanessa Bennett - July 21, 2022 at 06:54 PM

BD

“ Dearest Burks family. It saddens me he hear of Eddys home going. Know that I have your family in my prayers. Prayers for comfort, strength and the peace that is only from our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Love to you all!

*I have very fond memories of Eddy growing up and he teaching me how to water ski and take us motorcycle riding. I'm so blessed to have known him and consider him a uncle at that time in my life. Those were great memories!*



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**BobbieSue Dumas** - July 21, 2022 at 06:45 PM

AU

“ Ann Ussery lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



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**Ann Ussery** - July 21, 2022 at 06:28 PM

DC

“ David And Jan Crow lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



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**David and Jan Crow** - July 21, 2022 at 06:15 PM

SC

“ *Suzanne Cross lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**suzanne Cross** - July 21, 2022 at 05:24 PM

MJ

“ *Marilyn Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Marilyn Johnson** - July 21, 2022 at 04:38 PM

RW

“ *Rhonda Whitley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Rhonda Whitley** - July 21, 2022 at 03:55 PM

CH

“ *Christi Hays lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Christi Hays** - July 21, 2022 at 03:51 PM



“ Prayers



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**Donna Aaron** - July 21, 2022 at 03:41 PM

RA

“ Lois Carpenter, so sorry for your brothers passing....sending love💕💕



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**Ruby Allen** - July 21, 2022 at 03:30 PM

BG

“ Becky Gholson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



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**Becky Gholson** - July 21, 2022 at 03:22 PM

DF

“ Lit a candle in memory of



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**Diane Flanagan** - July 21, 2022 at 02:54 PM

JH

“ Jerry And Carol Phillips Harris lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



Jerry and Carol Phillips Harris - July 21, 2022 at 02:12 PM

TV

“ Mitzi, prayers for you and your family.  
Tom Vaughn



Tom Vaughn - July 21, 2022 at 01:48 PM

SL

“ Mitzi and family, I am so sorry to hear about Eddy. You are in our thoughts and prayers. 🙏🙏🙏  
Susan and Fred Lingle

Susan Lingle - July 21, 2022 at 01:14 PM

TG

“ Tami Grubbs lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



Tami Grubbs - July 21, 2022 at 12:54 PM

MH

“ *Mary Hardy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Mary Hardy** - July 21, 2022 at 12:43 PM

WG

“ *Thinking of you Mitzi in your great loss. Many prayers. - Wendy Gray*



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**Wendy Gray** - July 21, 2022 at 12:41 PM

AO

“ *Anita Ocker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Anita Ocker** - July 21, 2022 at 11:43 AM

LW

“ *My prayers are with you and your family.*



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**Linda (Moore) Welch** - July 21, 2022 at 10:46 AM



Roberta  
Vallantyne

“ *Roberta Vallantyne lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



Roberta Vallantyne - July 21, 2022 at 10:19 AM



RP

“ *Rita Pharis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



Rita Pharis - July 21, 2022 at 09:48 AM



TP

“ *Tom & Linda Pharr lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



Tom & Linda Pharr - July 21, 2022 at 09:45 AM



RB

“ *Randy Bridges lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



Randy Bridges - July 21, 2022 at 09:44 AM

BM

“ *Becky Massengale lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Becky Massengale** - July 21, 2022 at 09:36 AM

RS

“ *Ralph & Kay Scoggins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Ralph & Kay Scoggins** - July 21, 2022 at 09:02 AM

LB

“ *Leslie Blankenship lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Leslie Blankenship** - July 21, 2022 at 08:56 AM

GW

“ *Gary Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Gary Wilkerson** - July 21, 2022 at 08:41 AM

RE

“ *Lit a candle in memory of*



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**Rebekah** - July 21, 2022 at 08:25 AM

CF

“ *Cliff And Krista Furtick lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Cliff and Krista Furtick** - July 21, 2022 at 08:22 AM

JS

“ *Lit a candle in memory of*



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**James Shires** - July 21, 2022 at 07:32 AM



“ *Terri Miller lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Terri Miller** - July 21, 2022 at 06:27 AM

NR

“ So very sorry to hear of the loss of Eddy. He was a classmate and friend. Loved the times he would come visit at the bank. He always had a funny story to tell me. Made my day many times.



Nelwyn Richardson - July 21, 2022 at 12:11 AM

MT

“ Mike And Sherie Tillison lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



Mike and Sherie Tillison - July 21, 2022 at 12:07 AM

BE

“ Buddy And Dianne Everitt lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



Buddy and Dianne Everitt - July 20, 2022 at 11:26 PM

MM

“ Margaret Malone lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



Margaret Malone - July 20, 2022 at 11:22 PM

SO

“ *Sylvia Oliver lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



**sylvia oliver** - July 20, 2022 at 10:53 PM

AM

“ *Amy Miley-Payne lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



**Amy Miley-Payne** - July 20, 2022 at 10:02 PM

JP

“ *Jimmy And Lesia Pyers lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



**Jimmy and lesia pyers** - July 20, 2022 at 09:46 PM

PS

“ *So very sorry to hear about the loss of a wonderful man. Robert Sparks and I will truly miss seeing Eddy at Discount Tire. He will truly be missed. Prayers for family and friends*



**Paula Minter Sparks** - July 20, 2022 at 09:30 PM

JB

“ Jeff Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



Jeff Brown - July 20, 2022 at 08:38 PM

DM

“ Donna Hudgins Melton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



Donna Hudgins Melton - July 20, 2022 at 07:22 PM

GT

“ Lit a candle in memory of



Gary & Nancy Truelock - July 20, 2022 at 07:01 PM

PG

“ Paul And Rebecca Riley Glass lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks



Paul and Rebecca Riley Glass - July 20, 2022 at 06:36 PM

PG

“ *Paul and I are so sorry for your loss. I know he will be greatly missed by all. Prayers for each of you, Mitzi.*

Paul and Rebecca Riley Glass - July 20, 2022 at 06:35 PM

CB

“ *Cindy Belcher lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



Cindy Belcher - July 20, 2022 at 06:31 PM

CS

“ *Carl & Diana Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



Carl & Diana Smith - July 20, 2022 at 06:26 PM

CY

“ *Eddy was always a friend and a gentleman.  
He will be missed.  
We will always remember,*

Carol Young - July 20, 2022 at 06:08 PM

LM

“ *LaVonne Propes McCaw lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**LaVonne Propes McCaw** - July 20, 2022 at 05:42 PM

MG

“ *So very sorry to hear about Eddy. He will always be remembered as fun, loving, and an honorable man. Praying for each of you in the days ahead. Our love, Mark & Nancy*

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**Mark and Nancy Gibson** - July 20, 2022 at 05:39 PM

DN

“ *Eddy was a big fan of the Henderson Lions football teams over the years. He especially enjoyed watching his young grandson play baseball His seat will be noticeably empty at these games. Now he will have the best seat in the house. He always enjoyed doing things with his precious grandchildren Beau and Brooklynn Eddy will be missed by a lot of Henderson.*



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**Debra Nichols** - July 20, 2022 at 05:36 PM

BB

“ *Bobby And Teresa Brady lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Bobby and Teresa Brady** - July 20, 2022 at 05:29 PM



“ *William Swinney lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



William Swinney - July 20, 2022 at 05:12 PM

PB

“ *Eddy was our families "hero". From helping move my daughter countless times during her college days to attending her wedding and dancing with her! He will always be our knight in shining armor! Now he's shining in heaven! Will miss you Eddy! You were special!*  
*Pat Blevins*

Pat Blevins - July 20, 2022 at 04:26 PM

DB

“ *Donna Barnes lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



Donna Barnes - July 20, 2022 at 03:49 PM

JJ

“ *Jake Jordan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



Jake Jordan - July 20, 2022 at 03:45 PM

CN

“ *Charvelle Nugent lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**charvelle nugent** - July 20, 2022 at 03:00 PM

TS

“ *Tim & Kathy Storer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Tim & Kathy Storer** - July 20, 2022 at 02:59 PM

HM

“ *Hal And Rosa Martin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eddy Ray Burks*



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**Hal and Rosa Martin** - July 20, 2022 at 02:30 PM