



Mr. Jerry W. Wheat

January 11, 1944 - August 19, 2024

Jerry Wayne Wheat, Sr., 80, was released to Heaven on Monday, August 19, 2024, after a years long battle with diabetes and heart failure.

Born on January 6, 1945, in, Terre Haute, IN. Jerry's father, Rex, died on the beaches of Normandy fighting for America in 1944, so to honor him, Jerry began his military training with the Army after graduating from Clute/Freeport HS in 1963. His service continued through the end of the Vietnam War when he was honorably discharged. Jerry came home to his wife and two oldest sons a changed man, for sure.

Marrying in 1979, Jerry and his wife, Linda (Lou Scull) celebrated their 45th anniversary this past June. They adopted son Bryan in 1988, who himself joined the Army in 2008, fighting in Afghanistan.

Jerry officially retired in 1996 after 25 years as a Dow Chemical operator. He bought land in Henderson, TX, to build on and has lived there ever since. Jerry was very outgoing and seemed to find a new friend everywhere he went, completely uninhibited about starting a conversation on any subject. He was also very creatively artistic. He loved having the time for cooking, drawing, writing poetry, wood crafting and telling stories. He has raised emus, chickens, and countless dogs. He enjoyed hunting, boating, camping and farming. He was happiest when he was doing all these things with on of his

three

sons or eight grandchildren.

Jerry is preceded in death by his father, Rex Wheat; mother, and Lola Faye Wheat Piersall; stepfather, Ray Piersall; and son, Jerry Wayne Wheat, Jr. He is mourned by his wife, Linda; brother, Mike Piersall; daughter-in-law, Jennifer; son, Jimmy and his wife, Kim; son, Bryan, and grandchildren, Rachael, Anna Beth, Jennie, Ashley, Jeffrey, Joseph, Brayden and Conner.

Please come visit with Jerry's family and friends at a come-and-go viewing on Friday, August 23, 2024, from 6:00-8:00pm, at Crawford - A Crim Funeral Home, 1414 South Main, Henderson, TX, 75654.

If you cannot attend in person, please take the time to write a message of encouragement on the funeral home's website: crawfordacrim.com or drop a note to Linda and Bryan at 3100 County Road 462 South, Henderson, TX, 75654.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **23**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Crawford A. Crim Funeral Home
1414 South Main Street
Henderson, TX 75654

Tribute Wall

VR

“ *Vicky Reams lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wheat*



Vicky Reams - December 03, 2024 at 11:56 PM

JW

“ *Jennie W lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wheat*



Jennie W - August 25, 2024 at 02:09 AM

WS

“ *Not too long after meeting my biological son, Bryan, Jerry was fitted for his prosthetic leg. From one Veteran to another, I affectionately called him "Robo-Pops." He seemed to like it and it stuck. We enjoyed spending the holidays together when we could. He joked around with us when he wasn't cooking. He will be missed.*



Will & Rebekkah Sullivan - August 22, 2024 at 03:30 PM

MO

“ *Maria ONeil lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wheat*



Maria ONeil - August 21, 2024 at 09:25 PM

MO

Myself and my son Connor will truly miss “ Mr. Jerry” as we always called him . You truly couldn’t find a nicer man , always there with a quick joke or a random fact . He was so smart and knew so much about different things , on top of it an amazing cook . Always kind as well he would always ask if I or my son ever needed anything and ask how my son was doing in school etc . We will miss him very much .

Maria ONeil - August 23, 2024 at 09:35 PM

CD

“ *Connie Dunklin lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wheat*



Connie Dunklin - August 21, 2024 at 02:42 PM

TR

“ *Tami Ritter lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wheat*



Tami Ritter - August 20, 2024 at 02:16 PM