



## Mr. Nathan Wilkins

October 18, 1952 - June 12, 2020

Funeral services for Mr. Nathan Wilkins, 67, of Liberty City, will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Friday, June 19, 2020, in the chapel at Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home with Rev. David Hampton officiating. Interment will follow at Zion Hill Cemetery under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

The family will receive friends from 1:00 p.m. until service time on Friday, June 19, at the funeral home.

Mr. Wilkins passed from this life on June 12, 2020, at Medical City Hospital in Dallas. He was born October 18, 1952, in Overton to the late Bud and Joyce (Williamson) Wilkins and has been a longtime resident of the East Texas area. After high school, Mr. Wilkins served his country in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. He went on to work for, and retired from, Texas Eastman as a maintenance mechanic and later in the lab. When not at work, Nathan was a good hunter and fisherman and loved all kinds of music. He recently got into bird watching and enjoyed the time he had with his little puppy, Oscar. Mr. Wilkins was also a member of First Baptist Church of Kilgore.

Survivors include his wife of 41 years, Judy Wilkins of Liberty City; children, Renee Brooks and husband Mike of Ft. Worth, and Rodney Goodwin of Lufkin; sister, Barbara Walker and husband Milton of Woodland Hills,

California; brother, Brady Wilkins and wife Kimberly of Texarkana; grandchildren, Jessica Brooks and Seth Brooks; great-grandchildren, Jordan and Julian Henry; sisters-in-law and brother-in-law, Betty Smith and Lois Siler, both of Henderson, Gladys Crouch and husband Jim of Kilgore, and Charles Sparkman and wife Shelli of Enumclaw, Washington; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other family and friends.

Pallbearers will be Roger Choice, Alan Bumgardner, Cody Bumgardner, David Boles, Billy Hill, Bruce Ogoivie, James Kegley, and Dave Thomas. Honorary pallbearers are Sam Willoughby, George Roberts, Rusty Bumgardner, Rocky Bumgardner, and Rodney Goodwin.

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

# Cemetery Details

## Zion Hill Cemetery

CR 368  
Minden, TX 75680

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 19. 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home  
1414 S. Main St  
Henderson, TX 75654

## Service

JUN 19. 2:30 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

TP

“ So sorry to hear of Nathan's passing. Prayers to you all for peace and comfort during this time. I really enjoyed his visits to the shop. He was a good man, and will be missed!

Tim Parker - June 23, 2020 at 05:43 PM

KB

“ Dear Judy & Family: We're so sorry to hear about Nathan's passing recently. We missed it completely due to not hearing or reading about it soon enough. Nathan was so kind as I had the privilege of meeting him & working in Operations at Texas Eastman. We also had lots of conversations regarding our health issues being the same & making sure we kept up with the latest info so our lives could be productive.



May you & yours be blessed until our Lord & Savior, Jesus Christ calls you home. Knowing Nate was a spirit-filled gentleman, gives us peace as he's in heaven today! To God be the Glory Forever 🙏  
With sincere deepest sympathy,  
Keith & Donna Blanton  
White Oak, TX

Keith & Donna Blanton - June 20, 2020 at 04:33 PM

TC

“ Judy, so very sorry to hear about Nathan. I didn't know him well, but he was the type of man you would want to spend time with. I will be praying for you and all your family during this time. Ty Chandler

Ty Chandler - June 18, 2020 at 06:14 PM

RK

“ When I think about Nathan, I am reminded of the many good years in the youth department at Calvary Baptist Church in Longview. He was always fun to be around and was very kind-hearted. My thoughts and prayers are with the entire family at this time.

*Ruth (Sullivan) Kay*

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**Ruth Kay** - June 17, 2020 at 09:52 PM

BL

“ When I think of "Nate", I remember how the room would light up when he entered. He was full of laughter and made those around him laugh. Nate was very much of a gentleman and loved life. He will be missed by all that know him.

*Beverly Leidecker*

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**Beverly Leidecker** - June 17, 2020 at 10:36 AM

JT

“ My memory of Nathan is laughter. So much laughter. Not a specific memory, but dozens maybe even hundreds of snippets of him and my dad laughing. Hard. So hard. Judy and my mom rolling their eyes, sometimes laughing along, sometimes trying to get those overgrown boys back under control (of course it only led to MORE laughter). When those two were together, it was a guaranteed happy time. I'm so lucky I got to grow up with that kind of friendship as an example. I will always keep that laughter in my heart.

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**Jamie Willoughby Thomas** - June 16, 2020 at 08:15 AM

BS

“ *Judy and Renee  
Wishing you peace to bring comfort, the courage to face the days  
ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your heart. Nathan  
was a good man with a big heart , I know he is with the angels.  
Brenda Smith*

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**Brenda Smith** - June 15, 2020 at 10:46 PM

BH

“ *Brent Hale lit a candle in memory of Mr.  
Nathan Wilkins*



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**Brent Hale** - June 15, 2020 at 07:00 PM

PA

“ *He was a little older than me in school, but we all knew Nathan. He  
was such a sweet and caring person to all. He will be missed. May  
God bless you and wrap his wings around you and give you peace  
in your time of sorrow. I hope my brothers are there to meet you  
when you enter those pearly gates of Heaven, til we meet again.  
Patsy Choice Alexander*

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**Patsy Choice Alexander** - June 15, 2020 at 06:32 PM

CN

“ *Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb lit a  
candle in memory of Mr. Nathan Wilkins*



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**Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb** - June 15, 2020 at 11:28 AM

TM

“ We will miss Nathan and his sweet and gentle nature. The fun times we shared at the Biesels at the Valentines dinners.

Terry and Donna Morrow - June 15, 2020 at 09:51 AM

DB

“ What a great and caring guy ! We always had fun and enjoyed seeing Big Nate ! Miss you big guy ! Damon Bassett

Damon Bassett - June 15, 2020 at 06:00 AM

RO

“ Ron & Cindy Owen lit a candle in memory of Mr. Nathan Wilkins



Ron & Cindy Owen - June 14, 2020 at 09:19 PM

JP

“ I remember him and Larry driving to Uvalds to bring Holly home from youth event for Fern's funeral. He had a huge heart and a wonderful jovial laugh. My heart breaks for judy's loss and ofay for perserverance during the season if grief

judy Perkins - June 14, 2020 at 08:55 PM

MT

“ RIP Big Nate.

Mark Taylor - June 14, 2020 at 07:49 PM

GJ

“ *BIG NATE. was my BEST FRIEND, he and I never had a cross word. we laughed a lot and joked around all the while. my heart is broken, but knowing I will see him again in the arms of our savior JESUS CHRIST gives comfort and strength. I love you BIG PUD and I will miss you all the while.. i will forever carry you in my heart.. I love ya my brother.. just me your friend,..... "lil pud" george.....*

george roberts jr - June 14, 2020 at 10:45 AM

BH

“ *Brent Hale lit a candle in memory of Mr. Nathan Wilkins*



Brent Hale - June 14, 2020 at 08:15 AM

GJ

“ *I will miss our times together big pud. I love you my bestest friend. You will be truly missed. Until we meet again my friend in the arms of JESUS. just me your friend george Lil pud. ❤️❤️🌹🌹*

george roberts jr. - June 13, 2020 at 11:29 PM

MM

“ *What a kind, caring, sweet man has gone to Heaven! My prayers go out to Judy and the fsmily. He was always a delight when he spoke up in Sunday School. He always evoked a laugh. I'd only known him a short while but he was always smiling and would look me in the eye upon greeting me. He will be missed!*

Marilyn Martin - June 13, 2020 at 08:30 AM

GL

“ *Geary Lee lit a candle in memory of Mr. Nathan Wilkins*



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**Geary Lee** - June 13, 2020 at 07:48 AM