



Mr. Roice Weatherford

October 22, 1937 - February 25, 2026

Funeral services for Mr. Roice Weatherford, 88, of Kilgore, will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, February 28, 2026 at New Salem Missionary Baptist Church with Rev. Stephen Trull officiating. Interment will follow at New Salem Cemetery under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home in Henderson.

The family will receive friends from 10:00 AM until the service time at the church.

Mr. Weatherford passed away February 25, 2026, at his residence. He was born October 22, 1937, in Laneville, Texas to Ivin and Rena Fay (Richardson) Weatherford and was a lifelong resident of Rusk County and graduated from Laneville High School. As a young man, Roice had a passion for drag racing — both on the track and on the street. When the boys were told to sit back and hold on, they knew the race was on. He loved his family with his whole heart. He also had a deep love for bluegrass music, and he and Gwyn made many memorable trips to Mountain View, Arkansas, to attend the annual festival. Roice was saved and baptized at New Salem Missionary Baptist Church in 1955 and continued to serve the Lord throughout his life and became a member of Emmaus Baptist Church in Lakeport. He worked as a Machinist for Axelson, which later became Halliburton, until his retirement. Roice was also a cattleman, both during his time at Halliburton and Axelson

and after his retirement as well.

Roice was preceded in death by his parents, Ivin and Rena Fay Weatherford; and his brothers and sisters, Donald Weatherford, Jerry Weatherford, Dottie Sue King, Bobby Joe Weatherford, and Doris Pool.

Survivors include his wife, Gwyn Weatherford of Kilgore; sons, Randy Weatherford and wife Denise of Henderson, Duane Weatherford and wife Jennifer of Whitehouse; step-children, Stephen Trull of Lake Fork, Paula Sowash of Kilgore; grandchildren, Travis, Randy Jr., Rebecca, Linsie, Hayley, Matthew, Russell, Wade, Ty, Alexis, Stephanie, Candice; sister Jackie Weatherford of Lufkin; several great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, other family, and friends.

Pallbearers will be Tom Noe, Travis Sowash, Ronnie Strong, David Perry, Wade Trull, and Brayden Pike. Honorary pallbearers will be Randy Weatherford Jr., Stephanie Trull, Isaac Kimberlin, and Mike Sneed.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Cemetery Details

New Salem Cemetery

CR 4258 D
New Salem, TX 75652

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 28. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

New Salem Missionary Baptist Church
18597 FM 839 S.
Henderson, TX 75654

Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ My deepest sympathy to the family I just read this today 3/24/26 I too am from New Salem and I worked with Roice at Axelson back in the 70's and 80's I remember when he had a Super Bee muscle car . A few weeks ago I was thinking about him all day wondering how he was . I guess God was was telling me Roice had passed !



Daniel Flanagan - March 24 at 07:16 PM

JW

“ In memory of Jim and Patty Witt



Jim and Patty Witt - February 28 at 01:19 AM



“ 124 files added to the album Memories



Stephen Trull - February 27 at 03:56 PM

TG

“ Tonya Graham lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roice Weatherford



Tonya Graham - February 27 at 08:37 AM

SC

“ My condolences to this family. We grew up together in New Salem. Roice was a very good guy and will be missed by all who knew him.



Shirley Christie - February 26 at 10:18 AM

PS

“ So very sorry for the loss of y'all's Dad. I have so many memories with y'all and him. Sending lots of thoughts and prayers for comfort and strength 🙏🙏



Paula Ann Sparks - February 25 at 04:30 PM

DB

“ Damon & Jill Bassett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roice Weatherford



Damon & Jill Bassett - February 25 at 11:46 AM