



Clyde "Gene" Eugene Coffelt

August 4, 1942 - April 17, 2017

Clyde Eugene "Gene" Coffelt, 74, of Tioga, passed away Monday, April 17, 2017 in Denton, TX. Gene was born August 4, 1942 in Waco, Texas to William Clyde and Rosa Lee Opal Coffelt. Gene was many things to many people and survived by the following: A husband to Judy Coffelt for 32 years. Father to Debbie Hilton, Connie Lazenby (husband Lee) and Vicky Duchrow (husband Pete). He was a grandfather to Jason, Cody and Ashley Hilton, Justin Smith, and Nichole Isaacs (husband John). Great grandfather to Lyndee Woodall, Brooklyn and Preston Isaacs. His cousin Bob McDonald was the closest person that he considered a brother. Bob stuck with him right up until the end. We are so appreciative of that. He followed many paths during his life: He was a volunteer fireman and captain at many departments in East Texas. Most recently served with Tioga and Lake Shore fire departments. His first love was music, and he was very talented and always dreamed of making it big. He had bands and played in many bands, singing and playing bass guitar. He was also made for the lake and fishing, and normally didn't have to convince people that "the fish was that long". His fish were that long! At a younger age, he had a love for riding motorcycles and owned a 1965(ish) Shovelhead. Other interest/adventures: palm tree trimmer, roofing, construction, marina owner, fishing guide with a short-lived fishing TV show, black jack dealer in Vegas, newspaper venture geared toward fishing, studied karate under Chuck Norris, advertising services, truck driver for a bit, loved to watch/play golf (Jimmy Walker's biggest fan) and loved the Dallas Cowboys (and he was the only one that could cuss at them), and fussed about politics in a manner he was certain the news reporters and politicians could hear, as he loudly voiced his opinions directed at his TV. We will miss him, but know we will all be together again. A funeral service will be held 11:00 AM, Saturday, April 22, 2017, at Slay Memorial Funeral Chapel in Pilot Point. Burial will be immediately following at Tioga Cemetery in Tioga, TX. Online condolences may be shared at <http://www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com>. Services are under the direction of Terri Slay and Slay Memorial Funeral Center.

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James Richardson,

Meno, Oklahoma

James Richardson - April 21, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ We are sorry to hear about him passing but we are happy to have had him in our lives and we loved him he was the best singer I have ever heard when we moved to Texas he was the first person we met I will never forget what he said when he pulled in the drive... He looked at us said what the hell you doing we said unloading a truck he ask me I said what's it to you he said well I know what you are doing later I said good cause.i dont he said you are.coming to my house for a cookout I said you think so he said I know you are and come to find out he lived.down the road a little ways so we went and it was fun then we all got close and we started going over there and they became family so thank you Gene for coming over that day I thought you were crazy at first then I found out I was right lol love you guy

Nelda Richardson - April 21, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear about Gene. He was a great friend. My late husband, Ron, thought the world of Gene. Ron met him when his band, Gene Valenz and the Volunteers, played in Wichita. They stayed in contact and many years later enjoyed fishing and golfing together. He will be missed.

Melani Claude - April 21, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ I'm so sad to hear about Gene's passing. He was such a good man and I always enjoyed our visits. I will miss him! I will have you all in my thoughts and prayers.

Brandi Bounds - April 21, 2017 at 12:00 AM