



Bernis Floyd Hopkins

September 13, 1916 - October 27, 2011

Bernis Floyd Hopkins Bernis Floyd Hopkins was born on September 13, 1916, in Stephens Creek, Texas, to Ben Edward Hopkins and Lieurette (Currie) Hopkins. He passed away on October 22, 2011, in Huntsville, Texas, at age 95. He grew up in Stephens Creek area then moved to Houston as an adult to work. He got a job at a company then known as Reed Roller Bit, now know as Baker Hughes. Bernis learned the way to work but not much else about Houston. He never considered Houston his home and always talked about when he could retire and move back home to Oakhurst. In 1979 he returned to his roots in Oakhurst. He married Addie Hoot in 1939. Bernis was a good son to his parents and a good friend to his brothers and sisters. He went 'home' to Oakhurst every 2-3 weeks when his children were young. He would leave church after Sunday school and head up interstate 75. I-45 had not been built. His daughter Linda got car sick nearly every time. He would have to pull our 1950 Chevy over so she could throw up. Bernis was preceded in death by his parents, his son, and most of his brothers and sisters. Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Addie Hopkins, of Houston; daughters, Linda Hopkins of Houston and Vivian Woodsum of Greenville, North Carolina; grandchildren, Vicki Janaky of Los Angeles, California, Gary Leggett of Houston, Alex Hopkins of Kingwood, Texas and Nick Hopkins also of Kingwood; four great-grandchildren; brother, E.J. Hopkins of Porter, Texas and numerous nieces and nephews. He loved gardening and in his retirement he grew enough vegetables to feed a small town. And when he wasn't in the

garden he played his music. He babysat Linda's daughter with his music. He played and she sat on the floor and listened. Bernis played his fiddle, sometimes he played tapes he had made of his brothers music. Linda and her daughter still have a love for the music of strings. Her grandchildren own violins and have taken violin lessons. Bernis left his children skills. They learned how to fix things and when something in their houses broke, he would fix it when he came home from work. He would call for his wife, Addie and she would send Linda. He would do the work and Linda would hand him the tools and to this day she does not have fear or confusion about tools. Bernis had a love of 'found object'. Mostly found at the town dump. He called it J. C. Penny. He loved old heaters, fans, yard tools, anything he could fix up and always had something to show Linda that he had found and fixed up. So when Linda is out after dark going through all my neighbors' heavy trash, I have my dad to blame. She has things in her house and garage right now that I got out of heavy trash to use or fix. Lastly, Linda wants to thank her dad for making this time easier for her. He had a funeral policy and medical directive. His stone is already on the grave and so that made the decisions she had to make much easier. She thinks he would have been happy. Services will be held Thursday, October 27, 2011, 2:00 p.m., at Center Hill Church in Oakhurst, Texas with visitation from 1:00-2:00 p.m. Burial will follow at Center Hill Cemetery in Oakhurst. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.shmfh.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Bernis Floyd Hopkins*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *We are truly sorry for your loss. We will really miss Uncle Bernis. He always had a kind word to say to anyone he met. With love and hope for better days to come*

Brandon & Rose Hopkins - October 28, 2011 at 01:55 PM



“ *Lorna and I are truly sorry for your loss. Having faith in the Lord Jesus and his promise of a resurrection brings some comfort. Even Jesus grieved. We will keep you in our prayers.*

Cecil Fry - October 26, 2011 at 10:32 PM