



## Dale Lee Holly

August 10, 1946 - December 30, 2021

Dale Lee Holly went to be with the Lord on Friday, December 24, 2021 at his home in Muldoon.

Dale was born on August 10, 1946 in Houston, Texas, the son of the late E.A. Holly and Syble (Gunkel) Holly.

His childhood years were spent in Riverside, Texas with the family eventually moving to the farm in Huntsville. All of those years were spent with his dad learning to fix, build and engineer numerous projects that led him to be a "Mr. Fix It" of all things. He used all that he learned in his life and was one of the handiest, most reliable, first call, give the shirt off his back friends you would ever meet.

Dale attended grade school, and graduated from the 8th grade in Riverside, TX. He then went on to finish high school in Huntsville where he graduated in 1964. After high school, he went to work for TDC as a High Rider in the late 1960's. In order to pursue his college degree, he left TDC and became a driller for E.A. Holly Water Well Service working alongside his dad. After a few years he was hired by Milchem, a subsidiary of Baker Hughes in 1975 to be the plant manager in Battle Mountain, Nevada. In 1978, Milchem transferred him to build and be the plant manager in Galveston, Texas. In 1979, Milchem placed him in charge of building their plant in Indonesia. A few years later in 1981, he was transferred to Houston, Texas to run the plant division for Milchem. Dale left Milchem in 1984 to own and operate his own business, H.M.I. Holly Mining Industries. He sold this business in 1991 to become a full-

time rancher in Huntsville.

Dale married Patti Kay Seale on March 9, 1996 in Huntsville, Texas. Their love of ranching began in Huntsville and later moved their cattle operation to Muldoon to become the 4th generation of ranchers on family land. In the union of their marriage, and their love for cattle they created a ranch companionship of 25 years known as the Arrow H Ranch.

Papa is what the grandkids called him and what a papa he was. He enjoyed attending all of their sporting events including baseball, volleyball, and rodeo. Dale was an animal lover for sure, he loved his dogs: Trapper, Chico, Little Bit, Chisum, his horses and his all-time love for his cattle. He loved being outdoors feeding, fixing or building something all the time. Papa was witty and never ever met a stranger. He loved agitating his grandkids, in the most loving way possible and you rarely found him without a smile on his face or his tongue sticking out.

He is survived by his wife, Patti Kay Holly; two sons: Mark Holly and wife, JoAnne, of Huntsville, TX; and Matt Crainer and wife, Jassy, of Carrizo Springs, TX; five grandchildren: Tanner Holly and fiancé, Ashley, Taylor Holly, Trevor, Avery and Tuff Crainer; three sisters: Jeanie Cochran and husband, Dan of Waco, TX; Joyce Currie of Trinity, TX; and Leighnae Poole of Rayville, LA; along with numerous nieces and nephews and many dear friends.

Dale was preceded in death by his parents: E.A. and Syble Holly; and two brothers-in-law: Archie Currie and Glynn Poole.

A visitation will be held at Koenig-Belvill Funeral Home & Cremations in La Grange on Tuesday, December 28, 2021 from 12:00 to 6:00 p.m. The family will receive friends from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Graveside services for family and friends will be held at Pitman Cemetery in Muldoon, Texas on Wednesday December 29, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Honorary Pallbearers are: Maurice Estlinbaum, Connie Cline, Andy Walker, Robert Walsh, Tanner Holly, Trevor Crainer

A second visitation and memorial service and will be held at North Side Baptist Church, 1207 FM 980, Huntsville, TX on Thursday December 30, 2021

at 10:00 a.m.

Dale spent many years and countless hours loving and caring for Patti's parents, Billy and Charlene during their long battle with Alzheimer's. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to The Alzheimer's Association.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Koenig - Belvill Funeral Home & Cremations, 208 W. Pearl, La Grange, Texas. Family and friends can view and sign the guestbook online at [www.lagrangefunerals.com](http://www.lagrangefunerals.com) .

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **30**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Northside Baptist Church  
1207 FM 980  
Huntsville, TX 77320

## Memorial Service

DEC **30**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Northside Baptist Church  
1207 FM 980  
Huntsville, TX 77320

# Tribute Wall



“ Dale Lee Holly

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ Dale Lee Holly will always hold a special place in my heart. My love goes out to all of you especially Mark during this difficult time. I know how difficult it is to lose your Dad suddenly and I know God will get you through just like He did me. May God's comfort and peace be with you now and always.

*With sincere love,  
Shannon Ritchey*

**Shannon Ritchey** - January 10, 2022 at 08:39 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dale Lee Holly.*



December 29, 2021 at 06:42 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Dale Lee Holly.*



December 28, 2021 at 11:46 PM

BN

“ So sorry for your loss! Mark, JoAnne and Patti you are in my thoughts. Sincere condolences.

Beverly Niederhofer - December 28, 2021 at 01:22 PM

MH

“ M. Hyvl sent a virtual gift in memory of Dale Lee Holly



M. Hyvl - December 28, 2021 at 12:25 PM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Dale Lee Holly.



December 28, 2021 at 11:40 AM

CL

“ Sending love and prayers to the entire family!

Courtney Campbell Luper - December 28, 2021 at 11:14 AM

SS

“ Love & Prayers for the Holly family.



Shania Springer - December 28, 2021 at 10:46 AM

NH

“ Nancy Hopper lit a candle in memory of Dale Lee Holly



Nancy Hopper - December 28, 2021 at 10:43 AM

LA

“ Patti, Mark and family, please know that my most sincere thoughts and prayers are with all of you during these very difficult and trying times. May your hearts soon be filled with wonderful memories of joyful times together as you celebrate a life well lived.



Dale, your journey here on earth is done. May you rest in peace, my friend.

Linda Andrews - December 27, 2021 at 08:32 PM



Patti so sorry to hear about Dale prayers for you and family.

Elwood Grisham - December 28, 2021 at 01:15 PM