



## Hiram Everett Foster

July 19, 1923 - April 1, 2024

Hiram Everett Foster, 100 years, 9 months, and 13 days, went to his heavenly home on April 1, 2024. He was born in Richards, Texas, July 19, 1923, in Walker County. After 3 brothers and 5 sisters awaited his arrival, one more sister would come after him, completing the family. He worked hard all his life beginning at age 6 when he would plow the fields and pick cotton. His life was not always easy growing up during The Great Depression, but he never complained. He never shied away from work. Hiram was the kind of man all men should strive to be. He was patient, honest, kind, hardworking, he had a servant's heart and was a devout Christian.

Hiram was a founding member of Union Grove Baptist Church in Richards where he met his future wife. He married Florine Gideon on December 24, 1945, and remained a faithful, loving husband for 71 years until her passing on March 19, 2017. He missed her every day after that.

He worked for Montgomery County driving heavy equipment, helping to build many of the roads in Montgomery and Richards. In 1956, they moved to Pasadena where he went to work as a shift worker at Petro Tex Chemical as the Chief Operator Boiler House operator for 37 years. He served as a deacon and treasurer at Second Baptist Church in Pasadena, TX for many years. He was devoted to his four children, eleven grandchildren and eighteen great grandchildren. His love for his family was the best part of his life. He loved to play games and spent many hours with friends and family playing 42, 84, or dominos. He returned to Richards after the death of his wife and was a

member once again of Union Grove Baptist.

He is preceded in death by his wife Florine Gideon Foster, parents Joseph and Gatsey Foster, Son-In-Law Darwin Barnes, Grandson Donald Foster Jr., brothers Joseph, Jim Henry, Willard (Buddy), sisters, Ethel, AnnieBelle, Gatsey, Ernestine, Marcelle, and Mary.

He is survived by his son Gary Foster of Richards, TX and wife Dee; his son Donald Foster of Alexandria, VA and wife Shirley; his daughter Diane Foster Barnes of Pasadena, TX; and his son Stephen Foster of Deer Park, TX and wife Kimberly. Grandchildren: Shelley Foster McLaughlin, Stacey Foster Norstrud, Laura Lyons Keith, Shiree Foster, April Foster Ponnuru, Amber Foster Schwartz, Bradley Barnes, Wesley Barnes, Maria Sheldon, Jaime Foster Mellinger, and Erin Foster Heflin. Great Grandchildren: Ty McLaughlin, Chase Foster, Alisa Foster, James Foster, Mary Ponnuru, Elizabeth Ponnuru, Xavier Ponnuru, Eleanora Schwartz, Luke Schwartz, Alyssa Barnes, Daniel Barnes, Colton Barnes, Audrey Heaton, Adele Sheldon, Meredith Mellinger, Chloe Mellinger, Hannah Heflin, Madison Heflin and scores of nieces, nephews, and friends.

He was the last of a legacy of the Foster children which spanned 116 years.

You may leave written memorials  
to his family at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Pool Cemetery

24143 FM 149  
Richards, TX 77873

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 5. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Montgomery  
20850 Eva St.  
Montgomery, TX 77356

## Service

APR 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

Union Grove Baptist Church of Richards  
Richards, TX

# Tribute Wall



“ Alena G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hiram Everett Foster.

Alena G. - April 06, 2024 at 12:38 AM



“ Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Hiram Everett Foster.



April 05, 2024 at 02:04 PM



“ Johnny & Sherry Mahana planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hiram Everett Foster.

Johnny & Sherry Mahana - April 05, 2024 at 12:03 PM



“ Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Hiram Everett Foster.



April 05, 2024 at 12:03 PM

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“ -The Sheldons planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hiram Everett Foster.

-The Sheldons - April 04, 2024 at 10:27 PM

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“ -The Sheldons purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Hiram Everett Foster.



-The Sheldons - April 04, 2024 at 10:27 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Hiram Everett Foster.



April 04, 2024 at 07:35 PM

LL

“ Love, Shelley, Stacey & Laura purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Hiram Everett Foster.



Love, Shelley, Stacey & Laura - April 04, 2024 at 07:08 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Hiram Everett Foster.*



April 04, 2024 at 05:09 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Hiram Everett Foster.*



April 04, 2024 at 05:01 PM



“ *Jim and Jean Bates purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Hiram Everett Foster.*



**Jim and Jean Bates** - April 04, 2024 at 04:40 PM



“ *Mr Foster was the quietest most gentle caring man I have ever known. He was also the strongest and most committed Christian man. What an example he set*

**Johnny Mahana** - April 04, 2024 at 03:10 PM

MN

“ MJ, Mats and Nicole planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hiram Everett Foster.

MJ, Mats and Nicole - April 04, 2024 at 02:54 PM

MN

“ MJ, Mats and Nicole purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Hiram Everett Foster.



MJ, Mats and Nicole - April 04, 2024 at 02:54 PM

YF

“ Your Miller Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hiram Everett Foster.

Your Miller Family - April 04, 2024 at 02:50 PM

YF

“ Your Miller Family purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Hiram Everett Foster.



Your Miller Family - April 04, 2024 at 02:50 PM

JL

“ Joel and Laureen Leavitt purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Hiram Everett Foster.



Joel and Laureen Leavitt - April 04, 2024 at 01:25 PM

BC

“ Bobby & Carolyn Camp purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Hiram Everett Foster.



Bobby & Carolyn Camp - April 04, 2024 at 12:54 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Hiram Everett Foster.



April 04, 2024 at 10:47 AM

LM

“ Love, Jaime, Aaron & Erin, Matt planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hiram Everett Foster.

Love, Jaime, Aaron & Erin, Matt - April 04, 2024 at 09:46 AM

LM

“ Love, Jaime, Aaron & Erin, Matt purchased the Vivid Recollections for the family of Hiram Everett Foster.



Love, Jaime, Aaron & Erin, Matt - April 04, 2024 at 09:46 AM



“ Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Hiram Everett Foster.



April 04, 2024 at 12:36 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Hiram Everett Foster.



April 03, 2024 at 07:23 PM

YF

“ Your Blue-X Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hiram Everett Foster.

Your Blue-X Family - April 03, 2024 at 03:56 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Hiram Everett Foster*.



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April 03, 2024 at 03:56 PM