



## Joe Larrison

February 3, 1925 - June 29, 2021

Joe Wilson Larrison went to heaven on June 29, 2021, at the age of 96. He was born February 3, 1925, in Madisonville, Texas, to Evie Wilson Larrison and Finis Floyd Larrison. He graduated from Huntsville High School where he met the love of his life, O'Bera Langley. They were married on February 13, 1943, and their long and beautiful love story continued until she passed in 2013.

Joe proudly served his country in the Merchant Marines during World War II and later held membership in the American Legion, our nation's largest wartime service organization. Returning to Huntsville after his discharge, he went to work for the United Gas Company (now CenterPoint Energy) where he loyally served until his retirement 40 years later in 1986. Joe was known for honoring his commitment to the company and his community by taking after-hours calls and calmly resolving customer needs. He served his community as a volunteer fireman for the city of Crockett while living there and as a member of the Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club after moving back to Huntsville.

A man of faith, Joe was a devoted member of the First Baptist Church of Huntsville where he served in many capacities, including deacon and greeter. He found a special bond with his Sunday School class and treasured the camaraderie with other class members and their teacher.

Joe (PaPa) was a skilled mechanic and the family's go-to-person for constructing complicated toys, assembling bicycles, mending broken

appliances, and fixing broken tractors, cars, and mowers - one more time. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, watching Astros and Texans games, working on his farm in Leon County, attending his grandchildren and great grandchildren's extracurricular activities, and tending to his yard in Huntsville.

Joe was a loyal and loving husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, uncle, and friend. He is preceded in death by his parents; his wife, O'Bera; brothers Jeff and Finis Larrison, and sister, Blandine Zachry. He is survived by his daughter, Jo Ann Larrison Wright, of Temple; son, Bill Larrison and wife, Lucy of Centerville; five grandchildren, Troy Davis of Womelsdorf, PA; Shannon Davis of Dallas; Joe Dan Larrison (Juli) of Huntsville; Jace Larrison (Vanessa) of Montgomery; Jill Larrison Harsh of Montgomery; eight great grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; and extended family members.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at 9:00am and service at 10:00am, both at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville, TX. There will be a private family graveside service later that day. Memorial condolences to the family may be made at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com).

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to First Baptist Church Huntsville - Home ([fbchuntsville.org](http://fbchuntsville.org)) or Huntsville High School Ex-Students Association, PO Box 8355, Huntsville, TX 77340 or to the charity of your choice.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 6. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville  
1700 Normal Park Dr  
Huntsville

## Funeral Service

JUL 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville  
1700 Normal Park Dr  
Huntsville

# Tribute Wall



“ *Joe Larrison*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *I was fortunate to be raised by good folks. Joe was a wonderful Uncle who always had time for a bratty nephew. You could not ask for a better neighbor, or friend!*

**Vance Langley** - July 06, 2021 at 01:46 PM



“ *Joe was a fine Christian man. He was like another grandfather to Travis, Trent, and Troy. He was loving, kind, generous and helpful. He was truly a role model for living a Christian life.*

**Karen Rhynard** - July 06, 2021 at 07:33 AM



“ *Joe was such a GENTLE MAN and so very supportive - especially while I served on staff at First Baptist Church. He and O'Bera were always so kind. Always enjoyed visiting with them! TRUE FRIENDS!! Love to all of the family!!!*

**Jackie Ward** - July 05, 2021 at 04:51 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Mr. Joe was a sweet man and a gentleman!*

**Beverly Conner Niederhofer** - July 04, 2021 at 12:17 PM

DH

“ *BiLL: Sorry to hear about the passing of your father. He was such a special man to all he knew.*

Dr. David Henderson - July 04, 2021 at 06:52 AM

KW

“ *It was a pleasure to know and work for Mr. Joe for the past 5 years. My family and I are sorry for your loss.*



Krystal Walker - July 03, 2021 at 10:24 PM



*Mr. Joe was a joy to know. My condolences on a wonderful man.*

Tammy Ardoin - July 05, 2021 at 08:45 AM



*Mr. Joe was a great person to know. My condolences to the family for the loss of a wonderful man.*

Tammy Ardoin - July 05, 2021 at 08:46 AM

JA

“ *So sorry to hear of Mr Larrison's passing. I don't remember not knowing him. He always had a handshake and smile for ya and it was genuine.*

Johnny & Lynnette Amick - July 03, 2021 at 02:09 PM

BB

“ Robby and I are sadden to hear of the passing of such a sweet man. I know he will be missed by all. Prayers for peace and comfort to family and friends.  
*Robby & Becky Blakley*



Becky Blakley - July 02, 2021 at 03:14 PM

MW

“ I am so sorry for your loss.



Mellicent Wiley - July 02, 2021 at 10:17 AM



“ A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Joe Larrison.



July 02, 2021 at 09:33 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Joe Larrison.



July 02, 2021 at 08:07 AM

DM

“ *The Mitchells loved Mr. Larrison. He was such a kind man with the biggest heart. He lovingly cared for Mrs Larrison for years. He will be missed. He was devoted to his church his whole life. God be with his family on such a great loss. Love you Mr Larrison.* ❤️

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**Derril Mitchell** - July 01, 2021 at 09:39 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joe Larrison.*



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July 01, 2021 at 05:08 PM

MH

“ *Marvin Hyvl sent a virtual gift in memory of Joe Larrison*



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**Marvin Hyvl** - July 01, 2021 at 03:15 PM

KA

“ *Mr. Larrison was one of the finest man you would ever want to be around. I worked with him for 15 years and loved every minute of it. He was such a sweet person. He will be missed by many. Love Kerri*

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**Kerri Avritt** - July 01, 2021 at 01:34 PM

SS

“ *Bill, I'm so sorry for your loss. Your dad was such a sweet man. Prayers for you and your family. Cherish your memories.*



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**Sue Sprott** - July 01, 2021 at 01:33 PM



*To Bill and family: sorry to hear about your daddy but I know he is so happy to be with your mother again and the rest of his family.*

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**Elwood Grisham** - July 01, 2021 at 04:47 PM

CB

*Mr. Joe was the sweetest man I have ever known! I remember him (when he lived in Crocket) and came down to our grocery store in Lovelady. That was a "few" years ago...but he n ever changed. May God bless the family and help ease your pain.  
He was a sweet man!  
Sonny Baker*

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**charles j baker** - July 02, 2021 at 08:17 AM