



## Joseph Wayne Rice

May 11, 1938 - March 14, 2024

With heavy hearts, we are saddened to announce the passing of Joseph Wayne Rice, age 85, who met Jesus face to face on March 14, 2024. He was born in Stockton, California on May 11, 1938 to Joseph Frank Rice and Sue Jackson Rice.

He spent his younger years loving the country life and going fishing as often as he could in Shiro, Texas. Wayne was always a huge sports fan and loved to watch the Astros and the Aggies. He also loved his loyal companions, his cats Tiger, Bandy and Sheba.

Wayne was preceded in death by his loving wife of over 50 years, Thelma Lee Rice. He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law Gerald and Monica Rice; brother and sister-in-law Victor and Sue Rice, and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

A visitation will be held on Friday March 15, 2024 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville. Services will be held on Saturday March 16 at 2:00 PM at the funeral home as well and then Wayne will be laid to rest at Blackjack Cemetery. Memorial condolences to the family may be made at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Blackjack Cemetery

Black Jack Rd  
Huntsville, TX 77340

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 15. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville  
1700 Normal Park Dr.  
Huntsville, TX 77340

## Funeral Service

MAR 16. 2:00 PM (CT)

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1700 Normal Park Dr.  
Huntsville, TX 77340

## Graveside Service

MAR 16. 3:00 PM (CT)

Blackjack Cemetery  
Black Jack Rd  
Huntsville, TX 77340



# Tribute Wall

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“ *Marvin Hyvl lit a candle in memory of Joseph Wayne Rice*



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**Marvin Hyvl** - March 15, 2024 at 03:05 PM