



Lionel Lee Venable

December 16, 1923 - July 22, 2018

Funeral Service scheduled for Saturday, July 28 at 3:30 PM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home, with interment following at Smith Memorial Park Cemetery.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JUL 28. 3:30 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Willis
10129 FM 1097 Rd W.
Willis, TX 77318
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Interment following service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lionel Lee Venable*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Lionel Lee Venable.*



July 28, 2018 at 12:44 AM



“ *Mavis W. purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Lionel Lee Venable.*



Mavis W. - July 27, 2018 at 09:19 AM



“ *Curly was a fixture at duplicate bridge , he absolutely lived dreamed and breathed the game .Curly is playing every day in Heaven, if you listen closely you can hear his laughter! He will be dearly missed at April Sound Bridge Club!*

Love you Curly,

Mavis

Mavis Warren - July 27, 2018 at 07:58 AM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Lionel Lee Venable.*



July 26, 2018 at 10:49 PM



“ *We shall miss our Curly--his laughter, his unorthodox bids, his soft growls at Antone's bids, and his card shuffling. Every Wednesday, as we turned the final corner headed to the POA building, we would see Curly's car in its usual spot. He was shuffling those cards. And how he could shuffle which resulted in frustratingly difficult hands to bid! When we complained, he just laughed wickedly. We loved his stories about his life, his ranch, and his family which he shared with us whenever we arrived early enough to assist him with the above chore. What a life and what a loss!*

Diane and Michael Kern

Diane and Michael Kern - July 24, 2018 at 08:27 PM



“ *Although I only knew Curly for a short while his quick wit & laughter will remain with me forever. He will be missed not only at bridge but in life in general.*

Carol Jenkinson

Carol Jenkinson - July 24, 2018 at 11:26 AM

TC

“ *Curly was a wonderful friend, a great fishing partner and a VERY good bridge partner. Anne and I will miss his pleasant smile and hardy laugh.*

Terry and Anne Cox

Terry Cox - July 24, 2018 at 09:57 AM

GE

“ *Curly we will miss you and will and always remember that friendly greeting when you arrived at the bridge club with a bright smile. My deepest sympathies to the family*

Gerry Earnest

gerry earnest - July 23, 2018 at 09:00 PM

SM

“ *Not only will I miss Curly at the bridge table, I'll never forget his bright smile, twinkling eyes, and his infectious laugh. With my deepest sympathies.*

Sandra Maalouf

sandra Maalouf - July 23, 2018 at 08:09 PM

JH

“ I met Helen and "Curly" in about 1960 in Madisonville, TX., where they were regulars at the duplicate club there. We all three "took a liking" to each other but then lost contact for many years. On my return to the area, they had moved South from Madisonville and I enjoyed playing at the same table for many years.

Curly was a smile giver and smile maker. He had some challenges of late, weathered them steadfastly and complained little. He's going to be missed.

God Bless his family and his soul.

Jody Henry

Jody Henry - July 23, 2018 at 07:51 PM

JC

Curly and Helen were my neighbors for 19 years and Curly loved to give me grief in a teasing way. Then we met up at bridge and he, of course, kept the teasing up there! His great grandson grew up with my grandsons. We were all so close and he was so dear to me. Will miss him so much!

Jeane Crumpler - July 23, 2018 at 08:58 PM

VM

Curly, we miss your laugh and your wonderful attitude. We love you!!!

Vicky Martinez

Vicky Martinez - July 23, 2018 at 10:45 PM

MF

Curly played bridge in his later stages even when he didn't feel good but he never ever complained. Will miss him and that wonderful laugh and always giving me a hard time but with love in his heart!!! Rest in peace dear one!

Mary Felton - July 24, 2018 at 07:37 AM

SM

*Will miss Curly at the bridge club. He would always get good boards off of me!! What a pleasure to have known him.
Condolences to his family.*

Susan Mandel - July 24, 2018 at 12:29 PM

MD

Started playing duplicate bridge about 35 years ago with a small group run by Curly. He always played a good game and always loved to win. Will really miss him and his wonderful laugh, Love to Helen and Curly. And God bless their family.

Mary Drew - July 24, 2018 at 07:27 PM