



## Vellar J. Bates Jr.

February 25, 1934 - November 11, 2019

Vellar Bates, Jr. went to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on November 11, 2019 at the age of 85. He was born February 25, 1934 in Castor, Louisiana to Vellar and Jennie (Wallace) Bates. Vellar grew up in Castor, Louisiana and after marrying Faye (Corbitt) Bates, moved to Houston, Texas. They raised two daughters, Sheila and Carla and one son, Bobby. He spent most of his career with Metropolitan Transit Authority starting out as a bus driver and moving up to Assistant Superintendent before retiring after 39 years. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, farm life, and family. After retirement, he and Faye moved to Huntsville and raised a few cattle on their little piece of God's country. Junior Boy was his prized Angus bull that brought him much enjoyment.

Vellar was preceded in death by his parents, Vellar and Jennie, brothers, Maxie Joe, Bobby Gerald (stillborn), Jerry Wayne (stillborn), and sister, Frances Bates Mena. He is survived by his loving and devoted wife of 67 years, Faye Corbitt Bates, daughters Sheila Bates and Carla Bates, son Bobby Bates and wife Shawna, grandchildren Bobby Gerald Bates and wife Caroline, Jennifer Franklin and husband James, Chase Macaluso and Chloe Foust, great grandchildren Jay and Laney Franklin, Strider, Kairi and Harrison Bates and sisters, Frankie Bates Locke and Gloria Giddens and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

# Cemetery Details

## Farris Cemetery

West on 1791  
Huntsville, TX

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville  
1700 Normal Park Dr.  
Huntsville, TX 77340  
(936) 291-7300  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Vellar J. Bates Jr.*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *M. Hyvl sent a virtual gift in memory of Vellar J. Bates Jr.*



M. Hyvl - November 23, 2019 at 12:35 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Vellar J. Bates Jr..*

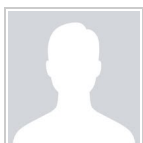


November 13, 2019 at 04:54 PM



“ *Ill miss the stories he used to tell*

chase macaluso - November 13, 2019 at 04:44 PM



“ *I have a lifetime of memories with my PawPaw. I pray for his eternal peace and comfort.*

Jennifer Franklin - November 12, 2019 at 08:30 PM