



Wade J. Stanford

July 8, 1924 - April 18, 2008

Wade J. Stanford (Wade Jack) went to be with his Lord and Savior on Tuesday April 15, 2008. He was born July 8, 1924 in Walker County off Old Bedias Road (FM 1696) near Bedias, Texas. Wade is survived by the love of his life, Wife Dorothy (Swearingen) Stanford, one son Lonnie R. Stanford and wife Kathy. Survivors also include Sister Marie Lucus, Grandchildren Lori McBee and husband Bobby, Sheri Pegoda and husband Cliff, Keri Lummus and husband Carl, and Lonnie R. Stanford, Jr. and Mandy Kibby. Wade's Great-grandchildren; Stephen and Daniel McBee, Alison and Weston Pegoda, Autumn Lumpkin, Jaden Ella, and Carter Stanford, Jordon Lovett, and Jason Odom, and many nieces and nephews. With countless other relatives and friends. He is preceded in death by his mother Maurine Heaton Stanford, father Lonnie N. Stanford, brothers Robert C. Stanford, Cliff Stanford and sister Modelle Stanford Layfield. A native of Walker County he attended grade school at Liberty Springs on Bedias Road and Jeff Davis High School in Houston, Texas. He proudly served his country during WWII entering the US Navy in November 1942 serving in the North Atlantic Campaign until May 1943. He then served aboard the Battleship U.S.S. New Jersey as SC1 Gunners Mate in 9 Major operations in the South Pacific. He received his Honorable Discharge in January 1946. Wade worked for Borden Milk Company in Houston Texas for 6 years and then returned to Huntsville to work for United Gas Corp. (Entex) for 35 years where he retired as Sr. Service Tech in 1986. He was ordained a Baptist Deacon at the Phelps Methodist-Baptist

Church in July of 1954. He was a member of Huntsville Elks Lodge BPOE #1981 where he served twice as Exalted Ruler and was a Past District Deputy Grand exalted Ruler and received the Huntsville Lodges first Honorary Lifetime Membership in May of 1986. Wade was a avid sportsman loving to hunt quail, doves and deer. The Family will receive friends on Thursday evening from 5:00 to 8:00 in the Chapel of Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home. A celebration of "Wade Jack's" life will be held at 10:00am Friday April 18th. 2008 at the Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Kevin Hindmon and Special family member Joe Little, Jr., officiating. Interment to follow at Black Jack Cemetery. Pallbearers are Cliff Pegoda, Carl Lummus, Tom Wilder, Jimmy Driver, Gary O'Bannon, Glen Denyer, and Ron Stanford Wade's nephew from North Carolina. Honorary Pallbearers are: CM (Buddy) Acker, Max Williams, Robert Skidmore, Gerald Kirland, Raymond McCarty, Joe Brumley, Richard Cowan, Matt Montgomery, EW Scarborough and Bobby Lumpkin. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Charity of your choice. Services are under the directions of Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home. Special appreciation to Dr. and Mrs. TC. Cole Jr. for their special loving care. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.shmfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Wade J. Stanford*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Lonnie and Dorothy,
I knew wade all my childhood life it seemed. From him teaching me how to cook a good steak on steak night at the Elks Lodge, playing shuffle board as "Monster Green, or Bigger Red" to shooting skeet with him. He loved his old Dodge truck too... I remember him as one of the kindest, most friendly men around, with a light spirit and plenty of good jokes and stories. I have often thought of him over the years, remembering all the times of fun. I'm sorry for the loss, and I wish I had come back to visit years ago!*

Sandon Adamson - February 06, 2011 at 04:34 PM



“ *Dorothy, Lonnie & Lori,
I just learned of Wade's passing and am truly sorry for your loss. Wade was a very special "Lodge Brother" and will be remembered by all that knew him.
Edward L. McClendon
P.S. Mother (Juanita) sends her condolences also.*

Ed McClendon - April 25, 2008 at 06:33 PM

AJ

“ Dear Dorothy,

Our thoughts, prayers and deepest symphathy are with you, Lonnie and the entire family, at this time. May God be with you at this time.

Sincerely,

Arthur & Jeannine Jacoby

Arthur & Jeannine Jacoby - April 18, 2008 at 05:55 PM

AJ

“ Dear Dorothy,

Our thoughts, prayers and deepest symphathy is with you, Lonnie and the entire family, at this time. May God be with you at this time.

Sincerely,

Arthur & Jeannine Jacoby

Arthur & Jeannine Jacoby - April 18, 2008 at 05:52 PM

JT

“ Ms. Dorothy, At times like these the right words are hard to find. No matter how kind the words the pain of your loss will remain for a little while, but as the days pass so will the pain and then we find we are left with all the loving memories. Nikki and I, feel so blessed in knowing you and Mr. Wade, we look forward each week to hearing your voices and seeing your beautiful smiles. I know Mr. Wade is in a wonderful place. We will truly miss him. Please know that we love you very much and we are here for you if you need anything. On behalf of Ms. Chris and all our students at Sebring, please know our prayers are with you. Mr. Wade took the love you have for him right along with him, and left behind the love he has for you and all your family. I know your a strong woman of strong faith, and I know that Heavenly Father will help you in this time of loss. May God Bless You and Yours. With all our love. Joe & Nikki Taylor/Sebring School

Joe Nikki Taylor - April 18, 2008 at 01:59 PM

KF

“ Sheri, Alison, Weston and Cliff,
We are so sorry for your loss. While we did not know Wade Jack we grieve with you as we know the pain you are feeling. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and hope you find strength in knowing he has gone "home" to a better place!

Kay King & Family - April 17, 2008 at 03:00 PM

BW

“ WITH MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO YOU IN YOUR LOSS.
HE WAS A VERY NICE MAN, AS I KNEW HIM @ THE DEER
CAMP & DEFINELY A SPORTSMAN.MANY PRAYERS TO YOU
DOROTHY/WADE & FAMILY.
LOVE & PRAYERS!
BETTY LOU WALKER

BETTY LOU (BRUMLEY) WALKER - April 17, 2008 at 01:30 PM

DN

“ Aunt Dot and all my cousins,

God received a special angel this week in heaven with Uncle Wade. We will all miss him terribly. When I think of Uncle Wade, I think of HAPPY! He was always smiling and laughing. Aunt Dot you and Uncle Wade were to be admired with your marriage and devotion to one another. Ya'll's love was just awesome and what a love story?! He was my most favorite Uncle!

Love your neice, Debbie Noviskie, Bellville

Debbie Noviskie - April 17, 2008 at 12:18 PM

CK

“ *I'm so sorry to hear about Pappaw passing away, it hurts so much knowing that I can't make it up there. Momma and I have all y'all in our prayers and thoughts and if there is anytime anyone needs to talk or anything at all get in touch with me through Vickie. Much love to each and every one of y'all. Hugs and Kisses!! Nannaw, I LOVE YOU!!! Cindy Knight*

Cindy Knight - April 16, 2008 at 09:22 PM

TB

“ *Dear Dorothy*

Tom Blackard - April 16, 2008 at 05:10 PM

CM

“ *Sheri & family: We are very sorry for your family's loss. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. May he have eternal peace in heaven.*

Love, Gary, Carolyn, Brittany & Spencer

Carolyn McClure - April 16, 2008 at 03:21 PM

MM

“ Dorothy and family...Mike and I were shocked and saddened to hear of Wade's passing away but are comforted by the memories of his warm kindness. Our thoughts are with you and yours.

Mike & Tammie Nokes

McGilberry Mechanical - April 16, 2008 at 12:01 PM

KS

“ Sheri, Keri and Moma Stanford I am so sorry to hear of your loss, if you need anything please let me know my prayers are with you and your families at this time!

Kerri Buell Smith - April 16, 2008 at 10:55 AM

MC

“ Dorothy and Lonnie,I am so sorry to hear about your loss.Seems like only yesterday that we were in Huntsville.I feel very lucky to have known Mr Stanford. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Mary Beth Kaltwasser Cook - April 16, 2008 at 10:02 AM

JA

“ Mrs. Stanford and family- I was saddened to hear about Mr. Stanford he was such a fine honest man and a great mentor to us "youngsters" who aren't "youngsters" anymore. They just don't make em like Mr. Stanford anymore.

Johnny Amick - April 16, 2008 at 09:43 AM

NJ

“ Dorothy and family, what a shock it was for us to read about Wade Jack. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him. Jerry and I often talk about you two and how much we enjoyed being with you. He was a great person and a fantastic skeet marksman. Our prayers are with you all. Norma Dell and Jerry D. Jones of Lovelady.

Norma Dell & Jerry D. Jones - April 15, 2008 at 09:45 AM