



Dexter Dale Cook

September 12, 1957 - October 11, 2018

Funeral Services for Dexter Dale Cook, age 61 of Big Sandy, Texas, are scheduled for 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at the First Baptist Church in Winona, Texas with Bro. Wade Maberry officiating. Interment will follow at Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery in Tyler, Texas under the direction of Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home in Lindale, Texas.

Dexter passed away at his home on Thursday, October 11, 2018. He was born September 12, 1957 in Vicksburg, Mississippi to the late Doyle David and Doris Odel (Stafford) Cook. Dexter served his country in The United States Marine Corps and has lived in the Big Sandy and Tyler area for the last 38 years. He was a retired Captain with the Tyler Fire Department and was a member of the First Baptist Church in Winona, Texas where he served as a Deacon. Dexter had a sincere passion for deer hunting and all things outdoors. He was well known for being an upstanding Christian man, a wonderful singer, and for having a true servant's heart, as he would gladly help anyone in need.

Dexter is survived by his wife, Lidia Cook of Big Sandy, Texas; daughter, Jessica Watkins and husband, Trent of Sulphur Springs, Texas; sons, Cody Cook of Big Sandy, Texas, David Cook and wife, Becca of Virginia; step-daughter, Michelle Marsh and husband, LTC Glenn of Fairfax, Virginia; siblings, Delores Kinder and husband, Tom of Port Arthur, Texas, Daryl Cook and wife, Nona of Hawkins, Texas, Donna Rosamond of Preston, Mississippi, Dennis Cook and wife, Mallie of Hawkins, Texas; grandchildren, Dakota

Watkins, Lindsey Rogers, Faith Watkins, Paisley Watkins, Brody Watkins, Chandler Cook, Matthew Cook, Ryder Toy, Zachery Cook, Madison Cook, Annaleigh Marsh, Ellyse Marsh; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Daryl Cook, Cameron Cook, Dennis Cook, Ken Culpepper, Jim Mullicane and John Rains. Serving as Honorary Pallbearers will be members of the Tyler Fire Department.

Family will receive friends from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday, October 15, 2018 at Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home in Lindale, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Tyler Professional Fire Fighters Association Relief Fund, in memory of Dexter Cook at any Southside Bank location or may be mailed to P.O. Box 8168, Tyler, Texas 75711.

Cemetery Details

Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery

7825 South Broadway Ave.
Tyler, TX 75703

Previous Events

Church Service

OCT **16**. 1:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church - Winona
212 Dallas Street
TX 75706

Tribute Wall



“ *Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Directors created a Tribute Video in memory of Dexter Dale Cook*



Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home - October 13, 2018 at 01:34 PM

MC

My uncle Dexter was an amazing man. Don't really remember much. I've always heard stories about him and my Uncle Billy. He's also my Poppies brother!

Madison Cook - December 05, 2018 at 10:27 AM

BR

madison i know you miss him his whole family does i miss him too

brayley - September 04, 2019 at 12:36 PM



“ *Dexter Dale Cook*

October 05, 2023 at 02:48 AM



“ *Dexter Dale Cook*

October 05, 2023 at 12:01 AM

BR

“ *he was a great uncle i love you uncle dexter*

brayley - September 04, 2019 at 12:30 PM

KR

“ *Dexter and I hunted and field trialed beagle hounds together in the 80s and 90s. I then kept in touch with him as we often worked together at scenes that called for police and fire personnel. I always called him a friend and will miss him dearly. He was truly a fine Christian man. I didn't learn of his passing until after the funeral. He will certainly be missed by all. Kelly Reeves. Van, Tx*

Kelly Reeves - October 16, 2018 at 03:26 PM

GS

“ *Green Arc Supply purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Dexter Dale Cook.*



Green Arc Supply - October 16, 2018 at 09:43 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dexter Dale Cook.*



October 15, 2018 at 06:52 PM

LT

“ Never have a met a man that more embodied what a Christian man should be than Dexter Cook. I will forever count it a blessing that I was allowed to know him. God bless you Lydia and family.

Loretta Tomlin - October 15, 2018 at 03:45 PM



“ Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Dexter Dale Cook.



October 15, 2018 at 02:17 PM

JT

“ I had the privilege and pleasure to train with Dexter Cook in the Korean martial art of Tae Kwon Do. He was a gentle giant!

One of my fondest memories of Dexter that reflects this was at the promotion test to yellow belt of my young daughter. She was very apprehensive about the part of the test that required the breaking of a 1 inch soft pine board with her hand. After several unsuccessful attempts, she was pretty upset. Upon noticing this, Dexter offered to help by "holding" the board for her. In preparation for her next attempt, Dexter put so much pressure on the board to "assist" my daughter that he actually broke the board in his hands before she could strike it!

I have never forgotten his big heart, his kindness, and his great strength.

John A Trotter

John A Trotter - October 15, 2018 at 01:25 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dexter Dale Cook.*



October 15, 2018 at 12:52 PM



“ *Love always, Ryder Toy of Spanish Fort, Alabama. purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Dexter Dale Cook.*



Love always, Ryder Toy of Spanish Fort, Alabama. - October 15, 2018 at 12:50 PM



“ *Lidia, you were so blessed to have found Dexter when you did and the memories ya'll made will help you in days to come. Dexter brought sunshine into our family. You would have thought we had known him for 100 years. He always made time to say hello with a laugh or hug or hand shake and never left anyone out. We will miss him dearly. Love you, Dexter. Robert & Theresa Segroves*

Theresa Segroves - October 15, 2018 at 12:22 PM



“ *Bountiful Rose Basket was purchased for the family of Dexter Dale Cook.*



October 15, 2018 at 08:52 AM

TF

“ *Tea Burns. Misti Swindell and family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Dexter Dale Cook.*



Tea Burns. Misti Swindell and family - October 14, 2018 at 06:19 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Dexter Dale Cook.*



October 14, 2018 at 11:27 AM

DW

“ *Debbie D. Williams purchased the Pink Potpourri Bouquet for the family of Dexter Dale Cook.*



Debbie D. Williams - October 13, 2018 at 12:47 PM



“ 41 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home - October 13, 2018 at 12:17 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of *Dexter Dale Cook*.



October 13, 2018 at 09:58 AM



“ *Love from Terri Stafford Jordan & family* purchased the *Country Basket Blooms* for the family of *Dexter Dale Cook*.



Love from Terri Stafford Jordan & family - October 13, 2018 at 09:01 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dexter Dale Cook.



October 12, 2018 at 10:09 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Dexter Dale Cook.



October 12, 2018 at 09:54 PM



“ He was instrumental in helping me to fulfill a childhood dream. I had just graduated high school at 18 and he invited me to take a trip to Norfolk, VA. While there I was able to go to DC and stand in front of the Lincoln Memorial that I had several dreams of doing while growing up. I now live here and have shared that experience with my sister, have a great career here. I fell in love with the area from that trip and I will always be grateful to him for that opportunity.

Lisa Stafford - October 12, 2018 at 09:25 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Dexter Dale Cook.



October 12, 2018 at 03:54 PM

AC

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Dexter. I was delighted to have reconnected with him a few years ago on Facebook. Enjoyed reading about his family and seeing the pictures. He was a much loved man. I have great memories of Dexter from school, church and Yokena. I informed my parents of his passing and they wanted me to pass their condolences to each of you. I know God will comfort, guide and strengthen you during this time.

*Prayers and love,
Anita Carlisle and Family*

Anita Carlisle - October 12, 2018 at 10:51 AM