



Kenneth Ray Slawson

May 20, 1935 - August 17, 2019

Kenneth Slawson was born May 20, 1935 in Jacksonville, Texas. He graduated from Jacksonville High School in 1953 and attended the Fall semester at Lon Morris College. He joined the Army in March of 1954 and served a year and a half, including a tour in Korea. He was discharged in December 1955 with the rank of SP5. Ken returned to Lon Morris in January of 1956, when he met and captured the heart of Glenda Jordan, his future bride. He and Glenda continued classes at Lon Morris until January 1957. At that time, they both transferred to Southern Methodist University, graduating in August 1958, Ken with a BBA degree. They were married that same August at First Methodist Church in Bay City, Texas. This year, 2019, marked their 61st anniversary, just one day before he passed away on August 17. Ken became the father of a daughter, Teresa, in 1959 and son, Chris, in 1960. Ken worked in Human Resource for more than 46 years, usually with defense/aerospace companies, such as Texas Instruments, Martin Marietta, LTV and Chrysler Technologies. He retired in 1998 from LTV. During his working years he and Glenda lived in the Dallas area including Garland, Richardson and Rowlett. They also lived in Orlando, Florida, Spring, and Waco, Texas. They moved to Hideaway in 1997. Once moved to Hideaway they became involved in many activities. They joined First United Methodist Church of Lindale and the Open Door Sunday School Class, helping in many class projects. He was active in the Prime Timers group as well as the Methodist Men, serving as a Treasurer. Ken was a lifetime Mason and attended the J.R. Bonner Lodge in Mt. Sylvan.

He was also a member of the Gabe P. Allen Lodge in Dallas. He was a member of the Scottish Rite and was a Shriner. Ken belonged to the Kiwanis Club of Hide-a-Way Lake. He worked for Kiwanis in many capacities and always showed up to help when duty called, whether it was putting out/picking up flags, delivering Meals-on-Wheels, picking up litter on CR 849 or even bathing dogs with Dr. Jason Beard. He and Glenda considered their years at Hideaway the best years of their lives! Ken was preceded in death by his father Harvey Edward Slawson, his mother Eva Hammons Slawson Little, stepfather Harold Little, brother Harvey Jr. Slawson and brother Bob Slawson. He is survived by his wife, Glenda, daughter and son-in-law Teresa and Steve Smith of Hideaway, son and daughter-in-law Chris and Yolanda Slawson of Arlington, grandson Joshua and wife Lindsay Smith of Tyler, grand-daughter and husband, Jessica and Stephan Salzinger of Groningen, The Netherlands, grand-daughter Kimberly Smith of Irving, grandson Austin Slawson of Arlington and step grand-daughter Kamra Arrington of Arlington, and three great grand-children, Boston and Britain Smith of Tyler, and Lena Salzinger of The Netherlands. He is also survived by brother Richard Slawson and wife Sandra of Jacksonville, and sister-in-law Harriett Slawson of Garland, one nephew, three nieces and two great nephews and two great nieces. Ken was a dear friend and helper to many people throughout his life and will be sorely missed. Funeral Services will be at First Methodist Church in Lindale Tuesday, August 20, at 10:00 a.m. A private graveside service will be held Tuesday afternoon at Antioch Cemetery in Jacksonville, Texas.

Cemetery Details

Antioch Cemetery - Jacksonville, TX

2709 CR 3111
Jacksonville, TX 75766

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **19**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home
206 West South Street
Lindale, TX 75771
(903) 882-3141
jeff@crdfh.com

Church Service

AUG **20**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Lindale First United Methodist Church
402 W. Hubbard
Lindale, TX 75771

Tribute Wall



“ *Kenneth Ray Slawson*

October 05, 2023 at 02:48 AM



“ *Kenneth Ray Slawson*

October 05, 2023 at 12:01 AM



“ *I only met this man a couple of times, but I do believe he was a wonderful individual. My heart goes out to his family and I ask God to give them peace and love. My prayers are with you all. Peggy Maxey*

Peggy Maxey - September 17, 2019 at 04:19 PM



“ *Glenda and family my thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Laverne Stevens - August 19, 2019 at 02:52 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Kenneth Ray Slawson.*



August 19, 2019 at 12:14 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kenneth Ray Slawson.*



August 19, 2019 at 11:34 AM



“ *I was blessed with a great Volunteer and good friend with Ken. He volunteered at Tyler P.D. and then Smith County Sheriff's Office with me. What a blessing he was to me and both law agencies. He was a good friend to me and my husband John and will always be in our hearts forever. We thank God for Glenda too with Ken bringing her in to volunteer at the Sheriff's Office. I know that heaven is even a better place with Ken doing his volunteering there. Thank you Ken and Glenda for coming into our lives and making us better people.*

*We love you both,
Alicia and John Armstrong*

Alicia Armstrong - August 19, 2019 at 10:41 AM



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August 19, 2019 at 09:14 AM



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August 18, 2019 at 08:04 PM