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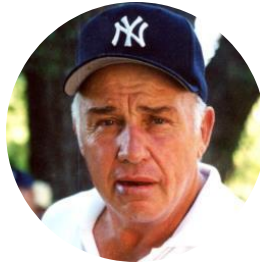


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**M**emorial Services—11:00 AM Saturday May 6, 2017 in First Baptist Church in Hedley with Rob Lackey and Lewis Ellis officiating.

Interment—Private Family Burial will be in Rowe Cemetery in Hedley.

Arrangements—Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Visitation—Family will receive friends on Friday May 5, 2017 from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the Funeral Home.

Terry Elman Bailey, longtime resident of Giles, Texas, passed away on Thursday, May 4th, 2017 in Amarillo. He was born in Hedley, Texas on July 24, 1939 to Elmore and Margie Bailey. He graduated from Hedley High School in 1957, where he played any sport offered. He was especially fond of basketball and played under Coach Don Haskins. After high school, he attended Clarendon College on a basketball scholarship. He began his work career with General Telephone in Memphis, Texas in the early sixties. After the birth of his first child, he wanted to be home more and began farming in Brice, Texas. He farmed for 20 plus years before becoming a business owner in 1986. He successfully ran Bailey's Convenience Store for almost 20 years touching many lives along the way. He was known for his giving spirit and was always ready to help anyone in need. A few years after retirement, he bought a farm and moved to Leila Lake, Texas where he loved to work outside and be on his tractor as much as possible. After some health issues arose, he moved to Panhandle, Texas to be closer to his daughter and lived briefly at The Cottages Assisted Living in Amarillo. He received excellent care there before the Lord called him home.

Terry loved all children, especially his children and grandchildren. He had a great sense of humor and loved to have fun, sometimes at other's expense. He loved to do anything outdoors: riding motorcycles, fishing, hunting and cooking out. He also made many trips to Silverton, Colorado to ride the mountain passes. Anytime friends and family wanted to get together for any reason, he was the first to volunteer. He hosted many celebrations at his home in Giles and enjoyed every



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minute of it. Making memories with the people he loved was very important to him and he treasured his life at Giles.

Preceded in death by—his parents; 1 brother Stanley Bailey, niece Cyndy Bailey, and a special cousin Tommy Bailey

Survivors—son Todd Bailey and wife Melissa of Amarillo, daughter Kristi Wagner and husband Todd of Panhandle, Texas, sister Jean Stavenhagen and husband Mac of Clarendon, Texas sister Nita Graham and husband Gary of Memphis, Texas, grandchildren Evan Bailey of Amarillo, Clay and Brice Wagner of Panhandle, step-grandchildren Michael Blackwell of Amarillo, Texas and Lindsey Blackwell of Nashville, Tenn., the mother of his children JoAnn DeBord of Clarendon, 3 nieces and 3 nephews that were close to his heart.

Memorials—Family request memorials be sent to Rowe Cemetery Association, PO Box 213 Hedley, Texas 79237



# Events

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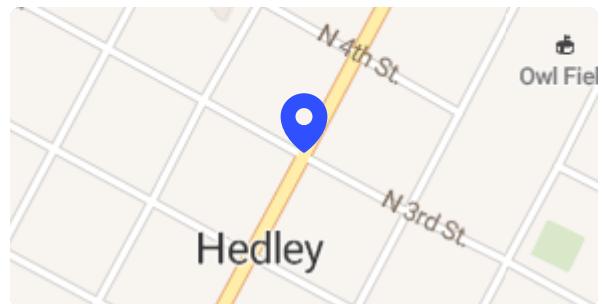
## Visitation

- Friday**, May 5, 2017
- 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM CT
- Robertson Funeral Directors - Clarendon**  
212 South Sully Street, Clarendon TX 79226



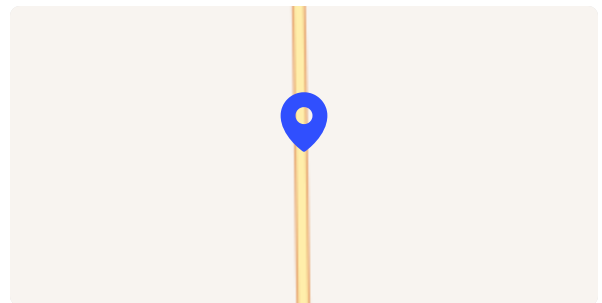
## Memorial Service

- Saturday**, May 6, 2017
- 11:00 AM CT
- First Baptist Church - Hedley**  
3rd, Hedley TX 79237



## Cemetery Details

- Rowe Cemetery - Hedley**  
TX FM 1932, Hedley TX 79237





## Tribute Wall

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ES

**Eric Smith** posted:

Mr. Bailey was a good man. From 1999 to 2004, I was the only Black person living in Hedley, Texas, and I'll never forget the way he treated me. He ran the store across the highway, and every time I stepped in, he showed me nothing but kindness and respect. I was just a 16-year-old kid, but he trusted me enough to let me charge a few items when I didn't have it. That kind of trust—especially at that age, and in that place—meant something. I never wanted to let him down, so I always paid what I owed. Although I was the only Black person in town at the time, Hedley never felt unwelcoming. It was a small, mostly white town—but the people there showed me kindness, and it felt like home. I didn't even know he had passed until today. He's been heavy on my heart, and as I was thinking back to the time I met my wife—who's also from Hedley—his name came to mind. Something told me to look him up, and that's how I found out he's no longer with us. Blessings to his family. Thank you, Mr. Bailey, for the few years I had the honor to know you. The fact that I'm 40 years old now and still thinking about your impact says everything about the kind of man you were. God bless you Sir, and may you rest in Heaven. 🙏—Eric Smith

June 1 at 1:10 AM

AH

**Anna Harrison** posted:

Sorry for your loss. Anna and Loretta Harrison

May 11 at 2:06 AM

KW

**Kristi Wagner** posted:

Love you my precious Daddy! Always have, always will!

May 8 at 5:53 AM

TM

**Tiniya Johnson Memphis, Tx** lit a candle in honor of Terry.



May 5 at 5:53 PM

SB

**Shannon Bailey** posted:

Dear Todd and Kristi, Your daddy was a Jewel and had a heart of gold. He is with Stanley and Tommy Joe Bailey having a grand time up above watching down on us and all the grand kids. Love you guys... Shannon Lucille Bailey

May 5 at 4:29 PM



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DM

**Darlene Masters** lit a candle in honor of Terry.



May 5 at 8:43 AM

DM

**Darlene Masters** May 5 at 8:48 AM

Terry would come to Perryton to visit a lot and we become closer he was a favorite of mine he would always listen to me and give me good advice. He will be missed. He was such a practical joker he was always pulling jokes on my dad.

AN

**Abby O'neal** lit a candle in honor of Terry.



May 5 at 7:27 AM

ML

**Mary Lou Lozier** lit a candle in honor of Terry.

Todd, Kristi and families, Peace be in your hearts as you remember all the times you had with your Dad Mary Lou Lozier Mark Simmons



May 5 at 6:02 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Bailey family.



May 5 at 4:35 AM



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**Linda Sanders** lit a candle in honor of Terry.



May 5 at 3:38 AM



**Gary Owens** May 31 at 8:26 AM

Sorry for your loss. Terry was so good to us when we lived at our ranch near Hedley. He gave me one of his store kitties and once we ran out of milk and he put it by our gate on his way home after he closed the store so we wouldn't have to get out after dark. Ornerly but a kind heart Gary and Jo Owens.



**Roy Don Stevens** May 5 at 12:14 PM

I worked with Terry on construction back about 1958 or 59 he was quite the jokester,RIP Terry Bailey



**Abby O'neal** May 5 at 7:26 AM

Sorry for your loss, Praying for strength and healing for each of you.



**Alta (Butler) Condran.** May 5 at 4:07 AM

God Bless each of Terrys family



**Julie Mcgimpsey** lit a candle in honor of Terry.



May 4 at 6:14 PM



**Julie Mcgimpsey** posted:

I had the greatest uncle in the world. I spent many weekends at his home with my cousins having some of the best childhood memories. He would take myself and Kristi on motorcycle rides, make up maps like treasure hunts and drop us off at the start and pick us up at the end of the map, luckily we always found our way back to him. He loved to joke and aggravate you if he could. I spent many summer vacations in Silverton, CO with him, only to have him and dad tell Kristi and I, " stop that giggling." I will miss him and never forget him.

May 4 at 6:08 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Terry by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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