



# **Bobby King Helton**

SEP 27, 1934 - FEB 18, 2020



Scan to Visit

*Robertson*  
FUNERAL DIRECTORS

# Table of Contents

<b>Obituary</b> .....	Page 3
<b>Events</b> .....	Page 5
<b>Tribute Wall</b> .....	Page 6



# **Bobby King Helton**

SEP 27, 1934 - FEB 18, 2020

**I**t is with great sadness that the family of Colonel Bobby King Helton announces his passing on Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at the age of 85.

Services will be on Saturday, February 22, 2020, at 1PM, in the Wheeler First United Methodist Church, in Wheeler, Texas, directed by Robertson Funeral Directors of Wheeler, Texas.

Interment to follow at the Gageby Cemetery in Canadian, Texas.

Visitation be held at Robertson Funeral Directors in Wheeler on Friday, February 21, 2020, from 9AM-6PM.

Bob was born in Canadian, Texas on September 27, 1934 to Thomas and Alice Bell Helton of Gageby, Texas. After graduating in 1953 from Wheeler High School, Bob married his high school sweetheart Lavada Jeanette Hogan. Together they moved to Lubbock Texas where Bob earned an undergraduate degree in Agriculture and a Master of Education from Texas Tech University.

Following his graduation, Bob was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the US Army Medical Service Corp. During his distinguished career, Bob served two tours in Vietnam earning the Legion of Merit and two Bronze Star Medals. As a Captain, Bob obtained a Master in Hospital Administration from Baylor University in 1969. He served his country for 28 years, retiring August 31, 1987.

For his second career, Bob worked as a hospital administrator with his beloved Texas Tech University. Upon his second retirement in 2001, he and Lavada relocated to Marble Falls, Texas to be near family.

Bob enjoyed the outdoors and as a master gardener could often be found outside tending to his beloved roses and his garden. He was also a skilled woodworker, although he will most fondly be remembered for his unskilled results. His family will joyfully remember him as a failed pool boy



## Obituary

**Bobby King Helton**

SEP 27, 1934 - FEB 18, 2020

---

and strong financial supporter of the quilting industry through his wife Lavada. Bob's true passion, however, was serving Christ. He was a Deacon at First Baptist Church Marble Falls, an active member of Gideon's International, and an avid volunteer of many charitable organizations. But nowhere was his strength as a Christian more self-evident than in his stewardship as a husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He was a warrior of God, Country, and Family.

Bob is survived by his daughter Sharla Boles and husband Rodney, sons Steven and wife Stacy; Mike Helton and wife Connie; 7 grandchildren, Lauren Hepler, Jillian Boles, Jennifer Helton, Bailey Helton, Megan Helton, Jacob Helton, and Jaclyn Helton and two great grandchildren Graham and Liam Hepler. He also leaves a sister Joyce Smith and brother Jack Helton. Bob was preceded in death by his wife Lavada and brothers Thomas and Bill.

Bob Helton, loving and much loved, made a difference in this world and he will be missed greatly by his family and many dear friends.






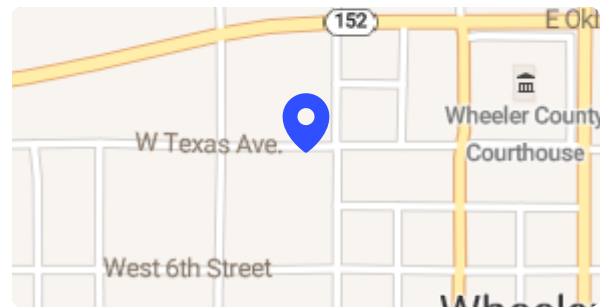
# Events

**Bobby King Helton**




SEP 27, 1934 - FEB 18, 2020

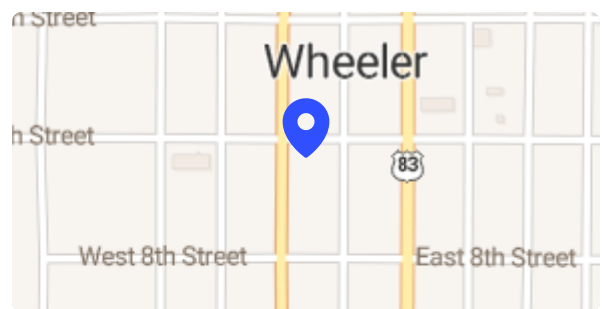
## Viewing

-  **Friday**, February 21, 2020
-  9:00 AM - 6:00 PM CT
-  **Robertson Funeral Directors - Wheeler**  
508 South Canadian Street, Wheeler TX 79096




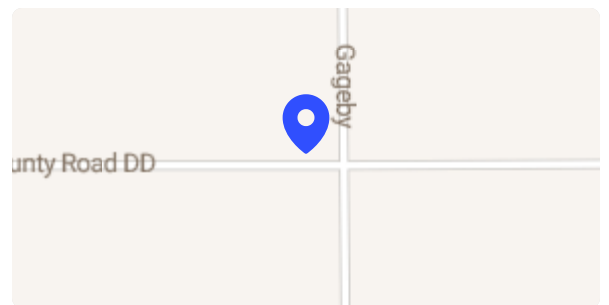
## Service

-  **Saturday**, February 22, 2020
-  1:00 PM CT
-  **First Methodist Church - Wheeler**  
704 S. Main, Wheeler TX 79096



## Cemetery Details

-  **Gageby Cemetery**  
County Road DD & County Road 13, Canadian TX 79014





## Tribute Wall

**Bobby King Helton**

SEP 27, 1934 - FEB 18, 2020



**Bob Clifton** posted:

Very sorry to read about Bob's passing, Did not know but saw it local paper today. We had talked last fall during football season about Tech and also Hamlin playing Wheeler. He was a larger than life man to me and my wife. I am very certain he is so happy to be reunited with Lavada. She was a good one. We feel very fortunate to have know these two and call them friends.

March 2 at 12:37 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Strength & Solace Spray to the Helton family.



February 20 at 10:59 AM



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

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



Scan to Visit

*Robertson*  
FUNERAL DIRECTORS