



# Richard Lee Gaines

SEP 15, 1930 - OCT 21, 2021



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## **Richard Lee Gaines**

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**R**ichard Lee Gaines, 91, of Wheeler died Thursday, October 21, 2021, in Wheeler.

Services will be 2:00 PM Tuesday, October 26, 2021, in the First Baptist Church in Wheeler with Rev. Rodney Weatherly and Rev. Larry Mitchell, officiating. Burial will follow in Wheeler Cemetery in Wheeler.

Viewing will be held on Monday at the funeral home.

Arrangements are by Robertson Funeral Directors of Wheeler.

Richard was born September 15, 1930, in Wheeler to Cleo Columbus and Nora Louise Richards Gaines. He married Dixie Laura Sanders on August 31, 1957, in Pampa. Richard was a US Army veteran serving during the Korean War. He had been a lifetime resident of Wheeler, where he was a teacher for 34 years. He was a coach for 20 years of his teaching career, at Wheeler ISD. He also was a farmer and rancher. After retirement from the school, Richard was an avid Wheeler Mustang fan as well as the Wheeler Colts. He enjoyed the outdoors and spending time with his family. Richard was a member of the First Baptist Church in Wheeler.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife on August 15, 2009; a son, Kent Gaines; and a grandson, Bryan DeMoss.

Survivors include his son, Darrell Gaines and wife Sue of Wheeler; his daughters, Vicki Gurley and husband Davy of Perryton and Lynette DeMoss and husband Brett of Brownwood; 10 grandchildren; and 11 great grandchildren; a brother, James Gaines and wife Glenda of Amarillo; a sister, Sue Perkins of Sunray; and numerous nieces and nephews.



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The family request memorials be sent to Wheeler County Retired Teachers Association PO Box 1102 Wheeler, Texas 79096, or Hemphill County Hospice.



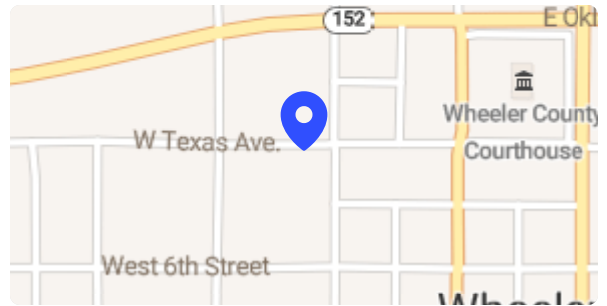
# Events

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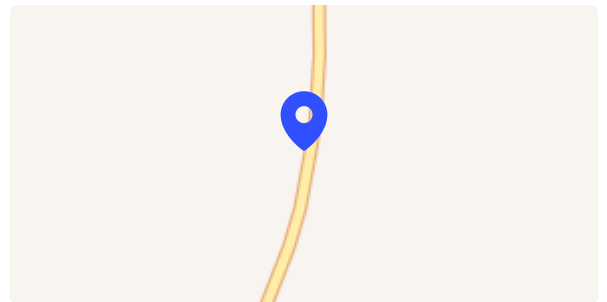
## Viewing

- Monday**, October 25, 2021
- 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM CT
- Robertson Funeral Directors - Wheeler**  
508 South Canadian Street, Wheeler TX 79096



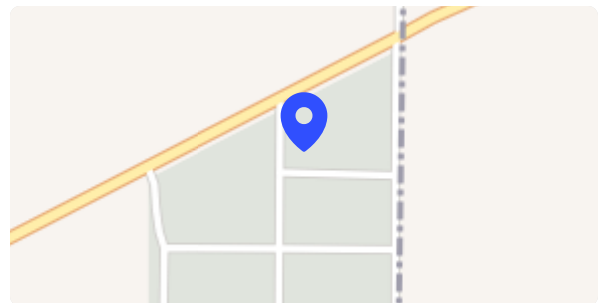
## Service

- Tuesday**, October 26, 2021
- 2:00 PM CT
- First Baptist Church - Wheeler**  
101 TX FM 2473, Wheeler TX 79096



## Cemetery Details

- Wheeler Cemetery**  
16355 FM-2473, Wheeler TX 79096





## Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Gaines family.



October 26 at 6:20 AM



**Frances Bradstreet** posted:

I was a student under Mr Gaines and also played basketball and he was my coach he was a nice guy.

October 25 at 5:53 PM



**Wayne And Joline Jones** posted:

We were both students of Mr. Gaines. We appreciate his dedication to educating generations of students. May God bless and comfort your hearts. Wayne and Joline JonesLafayette, LA

October 25 at 3:35 PM



**Rhonda Mcwhorter** lit a candle in honor of Richard.

I always enjoyed visiting with Mr. Gaines. He was always so kind. Praying for comfort and strength for all of his family. Billy and Rhond McWhorter



October 25 at 6:51 AM



**Energy Transfer Coyanosa Gas Plant** sent an Ocean Breeze Spray to the Gaines family.



October 22 at 7:11 AM



**Energy Transfer Waha Gas Plant** sent a Treasured Lilies Spray to the Gaines family.



October 22 at 7:06 AM



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EO

**Energy Transfer Midland Office.** sent a Sacred Duty Spray to the Gaines family.

October 22 at 6:32 AM



AP

**Arrowhead Gas Plant** sent a Reflections of Glory Wreath to the Gaines family.

October 22 at 6:01 AM



PD

**Patti Debose** lit a candle in honor of Richard.

Coach Gaines was one of my favorite teachers !! He technique was very effective!! I remember him always being very kind and helpful! May he Rest In Peace ❤️ Prayers for comfort during this hard time ; he was a great man and touched many lives with that kind smile Sincerely,Patti Zepeda-DeBose

October 21 at 5:47 PM



KW

**Karen Wagner Watson** lit a candle in honor of Richard.

So sorry to hear about this. He was one of my favorite teachers. What a life well lived and a very special legacy he has left for Wheeler. Sending hugs and prayers for all of you.

October 21 at 4:40 PM





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**Sherri Lewallen** posted:

Coach Gaines was one of my favorite teachers. He was so very patient. My condolences to the family. I'm so so very sorry to hear he has left this earth, but very happy for him to be home. Rest Peacefully, Coach!

October 21 at 3:41 PM



**Frank Rogers** January 12 at 12:44 AM

I no longer live in Wheeler and was not aware of Mr. Gaines death until a few minutes ago. What a wonderful Christian man. He taught so many of us so much more than was in our books, patience and understanding among these qualities. I always enjoyed seeing him at the school reunion. Mr. Gaines, Rest In Peace, and I know if anyone is in Heaven, it is you. May God's bless you.



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

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



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