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Obituaries



Snapp

George Weldon Snapp of Midland, went to be with his Lord on July 17, 2020. Services were Wednesday, July 22, 1 pm at First Baptist Church Chapel, Midland, with Dr. Darin Wood, officiating. Burial was at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Odessa with Masonic graveside rites.

George was born March 27, 1932, in Fisher County, Texas, to the late David and Lessie Snapp. He attended Rotan schools, Texas Trade School, and Odessa College. He served in the US Army from 1953-1955 with 16 months in Korea.

George was active in his community. He was a coach, VP/Treasurer with Monahans Little League, organizer and the first VP of Monahans Girls' Softball, and director of the Monahans Jaycees. He received the 1967 Director of the Year, 1968 Monahans Youth award, Jaycees Distinguished Service award in 1968-1969, and was named the 1969 edition of Outstanding Young Men of America.

George was the founder of Snapp Lease Works, Inc. and served as President until 1995. Upon retiring, George moved to Bronte with his late wife, Jimmie, where he continued to be active in his community and in the First Baptist Church. There he was called upon to serve many positions. He served on the Bronte City Council and was elected County Commissioner in 2003. He was voted 2001 Citizen of the Year by the Bronte Chamber of Commerce. He served on the board of the following organizations: Concho Valley RSVP, Coke Food Bank, Community Chest, Economic Development, Baptist Heart of Texas Camp, and organized as well as volunteered at the

Bronte Nursing Home Auxiliary. He was inducted into the Senior Hall of Fame of Concho Valley RSVP in 2006. During the same year, he met and married the love of his life, Joyce Hoffman, on June 3, 2006. He was a member of the Bronte Lions Club, a member and past Master of the Masonic Lodge 962 of Bronte. He was a 32nd degree Mason and a Shriner. While a member of the First Baptist Church of Bronte, George served as Sunday school teacher, money counter, and check signer. In 2020, he received the Golden Trowel Award. He is currently a member of the First Baptist Church in Midland.

He celebrated life to its fullest and loved his family dearly. His outgoing disposition, positive energy, and booming personality, as well as his laugh, earned him many friends. He will be missed greatly.

He is preceded in death by his parents one son, Jimmy; daughter-in-law, Beth Snapp; wife, Jimmie; two sisters and two brothers.

He is survived by his wife, Joyce of Midland; his son, David and wife Derri of Odessa; two daughters, Karen Phillips and husband Ricky of Fort Worth, and Annette DiStasi and husband Gus of Carrollton; four grandsons and three granddaughters, Josh Snapp, Chris Snapp, Jeremy Snapp, Logan Dorris, Lindsay Bengogullari, Lacey Bryant,

Jessica Clark, and thirteen great-grandchildren. He is also survived by three step-daughters, Vickie Parker and husband Scott of Big Lake, Terry Gardner and husband Rick of Blanchard, Oklahoma, and Demetra Johns and husband Lonnie of Pontotoc, Texas one step-son, Lee Daggett and wife Revis of Fort Stockton; many step-grandchildren and step great-grandchildren. Also surviving George is one brother, Benny Snapp of Brownwood, and many nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Brian Clark, David Snapp Jr, Josh Snapp, Chris Snapp, Logan Dorris and Jeremy Snapp. Honorary pallbearers were Martin Lee, Coach Sandusky, Fred Seay, Keith Fletcher, Jim Walker, Mike Sanders, Dean Rippetoe, and Jim Storrie.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to: Heart of Texas Baptist Camp, 8025 FM 2125, Brownwood, Texas 76801.

Arrangements were under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory, Midland, Texas. Online condolences may be made at www.npwelch.com.

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Cumbie

After 97 years of a life well-lived, Edward McCuistion Cumbie left the red soil of Bronte, Texas, for the green pastures of heaven on Monday, July 13, 2020, after a brief illness. He spent his last

moments on the ranch in the house where he raised his family, surrounded by his daughters, wife, favorite Glenn Miller tunes, and a few beloved Southern Baptist hymns.

Ed was born at home on October 27, 1922, to Richard Edward Cumbie and Emma Rogers McCuistion Cumbie. His love of cattle first became known around five years of age, when he discovered a National Geographic magazine with a story on different breeds of cattle. That love followed him all of his life, as he was gathering and hauling cattle only a few days before his death. Ed attended Bronte Schools, where he played football, baseball, and tennis. He showed livestock in regional and state competitions - later becoming a State Future Farmers of America officer, and he loved to ride in grand entries in rodeos across west Texas. He started a herd of registered Hereford cattle in 1937 while still in high school by picking cotton and saving enough money to buy his first heifers.

A 1943 graduate of Texas A&M University, Ed was the king of die-hard Aggies. WWII was raging during those years, and his senior class was graduated early, commissioned, and sent to support WWII, where Ed discovered his second passion - flying. Although initially assigned to ground operations,

Ed fought for and won an assignment to the 79th Fighter Group to become a pilot, and flew missions in the Rhineland and Central European theaters. By the war's end, he had flown every type of Army Air Corps aircraft, including fighters, bombers, and transports.

After briefly contemplating remaining in the military, Ed returned home and continued his service in the Reserves, teaching vocational agriculture classes to veteran students in Coke and Runnels counties. He used his Veterans Administration benefits to help purchase additional land to add to the Cumbie Ranch, which had been founded north of Bronte by his grandfather, R.M. Cumbie, in 1890. Ed and his father, R.E. "Eddie" Cumbie, partnered to expand and improve the registered Hereford herd, and went on to compete well nationally for many years. During this time, Ed served as president of the Concho Hereford Association, and as a director for the Texas Hereford Association.

Ed continued with his love for promoting livestock, as he was instrumental in founding the Junior Hereford Breeding Show for the San Angelo Stock Show, the Cattleman's Roundup for Crippled Children for the West Texas Rehabilitation Center, and the Feeder Calf Sales in San Angelo. Throughout his life, Ed was a cattle buyer for numerous

Area Churches

Invite You to Worship

Bronte

Bronte Church of Christ

PO Box 346
 118 S. Jefferson • Bronte
 Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

Central Baptist Church

324 S. Franklin • Bronte

(325) 473-4811

Dale Patterson, Pastor

Sun. 10 am Sunday School

11 am & 5 pm Worship

First Baptist Church

424 S. Washington • Bronte

(325) 473-2331 • Pastor George Cooper

Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School,

10:55 am Worship, 6 pm Bible

Study & Worship

Wednesday 6 pm RA's & GA's,

6:30 pm Youth & Adults

First United Methodist Church

Corner of Washington & Holmes

Bronte

(325) 473-3281

Rev. Stacy Sprinkle, Pastor

Sun. 10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship

Forgiven Ministries

117 W. Main, Bronte

Russ Frasier, Pastor

Sun. 10 am

Tuesday 6 pm Table Time

St. James Catholic Church

215 N. Washington, Bronte

(325) 365-2687

Rev. Yesu Mulakaleti, Jr., Pastor

Sunday Bilingual Mass 8 am

4C Cowboy Church

Texas Theater, Downtown Bronte

Interim Pastor Robert Lemmond

Sunday, 10:30 am

Coke County

Pecan Baptist

PO Box 542 • 12 miles West of

Robert Lee on Sterling City Hwy

(325) 453-2065, Bill Hood, Pastor

www.pecanbaptistchurchrl.com

Sun. 10 am, Sunday School

11 am & 7 pm, Worship

Robert Lee

Bible Baptist Church

PO Box 938 • 9th & Austin

Sunday 10 am Sunday School, 11 am and

5 pm Worship, Wed 5 pm Bible Study

Emmanuel Pentecostal

PO Box 794 • 1004 Hillcrest

Pastor Brantly Robertson

(972) 841-2009

Sundays 10 am, Wednesdays 7 pm

First United Methodist Church

PO Box 144 • 9th & Chadbourne

Robert Lee • (325) 453-2417

Cyndi Weidner, Pastor

Sun. 10 am Sunday School

11 am Worship, 5 pm Choir Practice

Iglesia Bautista Betel

101 Houston • Robert Lee

Sun. 9:45 am • Sunday School

11 am Service • Bible Study Wed. 6 pm

Northside Church of Christ

PO Box 508

9th & Chadbourne • Robert Lee

(325) 453-2685, (325) 763-2118 or

(325) 473-1053

Services: Sun. 10 am

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church

601 W. 10th, Robert Lee

(325) 365-2687

Rev. Yesu Mulakaleti, Pastor

Saturday Vigil Mass 5 pm

Robert Lee Baptist Church

PO Box 493 • 22 W. 11th

(325) 453-2724

Chris Walls, Pastor

Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School

11 am & 7 pm, Worship

Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting

Victory Assembly of God

(325) 453-2208, PO Box 638

6th & Houston, Robert Lee

Rev. Irving Smith, Pastor

Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School

10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 6 pm, Bible Study

Tennyson

Tennyson Baptist Church

Hwy 277 • Tennyson

(325) 473-2040

Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School

11:00 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting



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