

Sellers, William B. 'Scooter' Jr. | 1952-2011

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Funeral for William B. "Scooter" Sellers Jr., 58, of Wichita Falls was to be 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 5, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints with Steve Stout officiating. Burial was to follow at Bowman Cemetery.

Sellers died Thursday, Jan. 2, 2011, in Wichita Falls.

Born March 8, 1952, in Fort Worth to William B. and Irma Francis Kaker Sellers, he was a communications supervisor with the Department of Public Safety. He was raised in Bridgeport, where he attended school. He married Deborah Sue Rogers Jan. 16, 1982, in Wichita Falls and was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Wichita Falls.

Sellers joined the Wichita Falls DPS Oct. 15, 1973, as a communications operator. He was honored with the Regional Commanders Award for his actions during the tornado that struck the town in 1980. On April 1, 1980, he was promoted to supervisor of the police communications facility in Del Rio, and he was transferred back to Wichita Falls in September 1980.

Sellers was also awarded a Highway Patrol Division Chiefs award in 2009 for his help in breaking up a multiple-state theft ring.

He was the most tenured DPS communications supervisor at 37 years and two months, with 30 years, eight months of that time as supervisor.

Sellers is survived by his wife; son Timothy Jay Sellers; and daughter Tiffany Lynn Sellers, all of Wichita Falls; brother Craig Sellers and wife, Zannett, of Bridgeport; sisters Jayne Cantwell and husband, Allen, of Plano, and Jeyne Niblett and husband, Mike, of Denton; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Memorials may be made to DPSOA Widows' Fund, 5821 Airport Blvd., Austin, TX 78752.