

# **Russell, Bobby Neal | 1939-2012**

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Bobby Neal Russell

Bobby Neal Russell Sr., 73, died Sunday, Oct. 28, 2012, in Boyd.

Funeral is 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3, at Christian-Hawkins Funeral Home in Boyd with burial in Jaybird Cemetery. Visitation is 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Bro. Bill Paxton will officiate. Pallbearers include Shane Hickman, Jonathan Russell, Johnny Russell, Ronnie Russell, Robert Russell and Danny Russell.

Bobby was born April 3, 1939, to Harlan and Sarah (Brannon) Russell in Fort Worth. He married his childhood sweetheart, Doris Jane Johnson, April 23, 1960, in Fort Worth. They raised seven kids and one granddaughter in Springtown.

He was always working in his hydraulics business or remodeling his 100-year-old home. After retirement, Bobby and Doris spent time traveling in their RV and exploring new places, but the ocean had his heart. He enjoyed fishing with his dog, Duke, or watching NASCAR.

Bobby loved having his family around him and enjoying a good cigar with his sons. He was a sales rep for CRS Services, a proud veteran of the United States Navy and a member of the Masons.

Bobby was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Travis, Bennie and Rip Russell; his sister, Betty Joyce Gilmore; and his brother-in-law, Harold Gilmore.

Survivors include his wife of 52 years, Doris Russell of Boyd; his daughters, Corey Brooks and husband, Andy, of Springtown, Cynthia Hickman and husband, Shane, of Boyd, Donna Campbell of Mineral Wells and Amanda Russell of Saginaw; sons Robert Russell and wife, Sandy, of Plano, Jonathan Russell and wife, Denise, of Garland, Ronnie Dale Russell of Azle and Johnny Russell of Springtown; brother Bill Russell of Kingsport, Tenn.; 18 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; two great-great-granddaughters on the way, Ella Rayne and Ellie Marie; other family members and a host of friends.