

Read, Billy Joe ‘Tex’ | 1943-2013

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Billy Joe “Tex” Read, 69, died Monday, Jan. 28, 2013, at Sunset Nursing Home in Concordia, Kan.

Memorial service is 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, at Chaput-Buoy Funeral Home in Concordia with the Rev. Barry Brinkman officiating. The family selected cremation, and private burial will be at a later date.

Billy was born March 22, 1943, in Decatur to Earnest and Lois (Hudson) Read. He grew up in Texas and married Charlotte Regnier Feb. 2, 1966, in Concordia.

Billy was a truck driver for Boogaarts, Crete Trucking and then worked at the toy factory before driving for Koch Excavating.

He is survived by his wife, Charlotte, of Concordia; daughter Christina Read of Concordia; son Todd Read of Lafayette, La.; half-brother Ernie Read of Jacksboro; grandchildren Grant, Stephanie and Brady Read; and great-granddaughter Kylee Hillman.

He was preceded in death by his parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, step-grandson Stephan, and half-brother, David.

Memorials may be made to the Billy Read Memorial Fund in care of the funeral home. For online condolences, visit www.chaputbuoy.com.