

Shifflett, Donald | 1927-2013

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Donald Shifflett

Donald Shifflett, 85, of Krum, died March 30, 2013, from complications of Alzheimer's disease.

Service was April 2 at First Baptist Church in Denton, and burial followed at Plainview Baptist Church Cemetery.

Donald was born Oct. 26, 1927, in Harlingen to Orlan and Bernys Baker Shifflett. His family moved to the Plainview community, west of Krum, in 1929. He graduated from Krum High school at the age of 15 and began a 70-year farming career. Donald married Gayle Wright June 9, 1954. That same year he was ordained as a deacon at Plainview Baptist Church.

Farming the land that God entrusted to him, along with caring for his family and church was his life's calling. Donald always had a positive word for everyone and was willing to help anyone in need. He was a loving and devoted husband and an amazing daddy and granddaddy. His memory will always live in the hearts of the many lives he touched in so many ways.

Donald is survived by his wife, Gayle Shifflett; children Teresa and William Finch of Krum and Dana and Craig Bishop of Arlington; grandchildren Ginger and Juan Garcia, Amber and Steven Frazee, Brooks Bishop, and Blair and Nick Adams; great-grandson Sebastian Garcia; brother Gary Shifflett; nephews Conrad and Carl; and nieces Beverly and Angela.

Memorials may be made to Alzheimer's Association, North Central Texas Chapter, 2630 West Freeway, Suite 100, Fort Worth, TX 76102, or First Baptist Church Denton, Building Fund, 1100 Malone St., Denton, TX 76201.