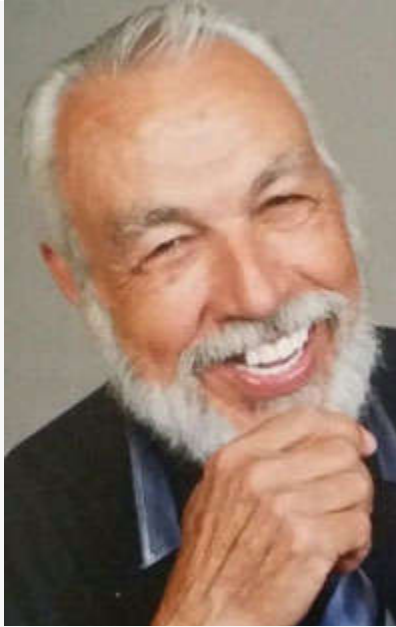


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Roland Upton

Roland Upton, 70, of Decatur, died Thursday, June 28, 2018, in Decatur.

Funeral was July 3 at the First Baptist Church of Boyd with Mark Autry officiating. Burial followed at Oaklawn Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Todd Ihnfeldt, Chris Caster, John Galloway, Craig Kinney, Rick Wilson and Chase Wilson.

Hawkins Funeral Home in Decatur handled arrangements.

Roland was born July 30, 1947, in Fayetteville, N.C., to Elbert and Mary (Skipper) Upton. He married Joyce Ann Gilkerson May 1, 1968, in Fayetteville. Roland was a retired customer service agent for Braniff Airlines, and he was a member of the First Baptist Church of Boyd.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and brother Eugene Upton.

Roland is survived by his wife of 50 years; son Jerry Upton and wife, Anne, of Paradise; daughter Tanya Wilson and husband, Rick, of Decatur; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; brothers Carl Upton and wife, Cheryl, and Robert Upton and wife, Rita; sisters Louise Steirer and husband, Larry, and Ella Mae Harris and husband, Alex.

Donations may be made to the First Baptist Church of Boyd or Wise Choices PRC, Decatur, TX, 76234.