

Ware, Robert Lee 'Bob', Jr. | 1937-2018

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Robert Lee Ware Jr.

Robert Lee "Bob" Ware Jr., 80, of Cottondale, died Tuesday, April 3, 2018, in Wichita Falls.

Funeral is 2 p.m. Saturday, April 7, at Jones Family Funeral Home in Bridgeport. Interment will follow at the cemetery in Wizard Wells.

Bob was born June 16, 1937, in Chico to Robert Lee and Jessie Hughes Ware. He attended Bryson High School and McMurry University.

He was a retired Methodist minister. He served as pastor for Paradise UMC, Garvin UMC, Rhome UMC and Allison Community Church. Bob was also a prolific songwriter and musician who served as disc jockey in the 1960s at the radio station in Jacksboro and later as editor/photographer of Herald Publishing Company's twin-weekly newspapers and the *Jack County Messenger*. He was a contributing writer for the *Bridgeport Index* and was recognized by the Republic of Poland in exile for his articles placed in the National Archive in Budapest regarding accounts of soldiers in World War II.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister Lone Morrow Smith; and grandson Michael Ryan Ware.

Bob is survived by his wife of 54 years, Doris Calhoun Ware; children Michael Ware and wife, Diana, Robin Ware Keith and husband, Jimmy, Robert Lee Ware III and wife, Shirley and Angela Ware Tidwell and husband, Lance; eight grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.