

Anderson, Charles A.

August 4, 1954 — July 1, 2023
Paradise
Funeral services for Charles
Anderson, 68, of Paradise, Texas, will
be held at 11 am Saturday, July 8,
2023, at Grace Fellowship Church, in
Paradise, Texas, with a burial to
follow at Paradise Cemetery.
Visitation will be held 5-7 pm Friday,
July 7, at Hudson & Torres Family
Funeral Home in Bridgeport.



Pallbearers will include Jack McCormick, Mike Burson, Donald Darnell, Harold Remmele, Eddie Cooper, CD Anderson, Cody Anderson, and Jeff Anderson; honorary pallbearers will include Patrick Wigle, Glenn Hughes, Rick Smith, Justin Lasater, and Lane Anderson.

Charles "Charlie" Anderson, entered his eternal rest on July 1, 2023, following a heroic battle with cancer. He was born August 4, 1954, in Georgetown, Texas, to Charles Sr. and Janice (Burson) Anderson. The eldest of five siblings; his first job was for the City of Georgetown, where he earned just enough to put gas in his 1962 Ford pickup and pay rodeo entry fees. After high school, Charlie worked full-time on the Holmstrom Ranch and welcomed his first son, Cody Anderson. He loved the ranch work and life, which put him on the path to owning his own land.

A chance encounter at a popular Austin dance spot led Charlie to Laura, the love of his life. They married on June 30, 1977, at the Williamson County Courthouse. In 1980, they moved to Paradise, Texas, with their two children, Angela and Lesley. Five years later, they welcomed their son, Landon "Kyle" into the world. Charlie worked hard to provide for his family and, though he often worked late nights and weekends, he always made his family a priority.

Charlie's passion for pushing dirt began at a young age. Tonka toys were his favorite as a kid, and he would spend hours in the backyard building roads, bridges, and cattle guards under the elm tree. After moving to Paradise, Charlie ran a dozer for Mitchell Energy for thirteen years. After an unfortunate encounter with a train in 1994, he became his own boss at Anderson Dozer Service. Charlie took pride in his work, but he was never too busy to stop and chat.

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Charlie passed his love for ranch life down to his kids by encouraging them to raise and show livestock. He enjoyed watching his kids in the show-ring just as much as he enjoyed the process of getting there. He got up before the sun every morning to feed the animals and he'd still be at the barn at sunset. He taught his kids to shear sheep, load a trailer, and valuable life lessons along the way.

Charlie loved being a Pawpaw. Whether cheering them on at a sporting event or beating them in a cannonball splash contest, he loved spending time with his grandkids. After retirement, he enjoyed camping and traveling with his wife and friends, floating in the pool, and checking his cows (with a cold Shiner Bock in hand).

Charlie held many titles: husband, dad, brother, son, friend, and Pawpaw. He was always willing to lend a hand or an ear. He never had much to say about himself but always wanted to know how things were going with you. If you had a story to tell, Charlie would listen (no matter how long-winded it may be). He had a slow talk and infectious laugh that will be missed by all who knew him.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife Laura Anderson of Paradise; sons Cody Anderson and wife Chrissy of Liberty Hill, and Kyle Anderson and wife Stacie of Graham; daughters Angie McCormick of Decatur, and Lesley Wigle and husband Patrick of Dallas; brothers Mike Burson and wife Carolyn of Charleston, South Carolina, and Jeff Anderson and wife Terri of Liberty Hill; sisters Kathy Burke of Georgetown, Lila Knauth and husband Tommy of Chattanooga, Tennessee, Wanda Digby and husband Marc of Cedar Park, and Darla Williams of Granger; grandchildren Cody, CD, Lane and Luke Anderson, Jack and Allie McCormick, and Parker and Peyton Wigle; numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins; and a host of friends.

Charlie is preceded in death by his parents, Charles Sr. and Janice Anderson, and his beloved Border Collie, Cassie. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Pancreatic Cancer Research at https://www.PanCan.org and/or the Justin Cowboy Crisis Fund at https://justincowboycrisisfund.org.