

Gentry, Donald

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Paradise ~ Donald Gentry, 92, went to be with our Lord Tuesday, Oct. 24, 2023 in Paradise.

Funeral was 11:00 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, at First Baptist Church in Cottondale with burial in Cottondale Cemetery. Family received friends Friday at Hawkins Funeral Home in Bridgeport.

Pallbearers were Matthew Weeden, Jason Gentry, Sam Gentry, Chance Gentry, Timothy Gentry, and Kason Gentry.

Honorary Pallbearers included Bill Read, Harold Remmele, Roy Jones, Mike Henson, Gary Lasater and Noel Gilley. Donald was born on May 25, 1931, to James "Isaac" and Theresa Patricia (Bridges) Gentry in Cottondale. He was united in marriage to Lorene Yvonne Niblett on July 29, 1951, in Paradise. They were together for 71 beautiful years before her passing in 2023. Donald was a rancher and a businessman for all his life. He was a deacon and member at First Baptist Church in Cottondale. Donald was a beloved father, grandfather, great-grandfather, uncle, brother and a friend to many who will miss him dearly.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James "Isaac" and Theresa Gentry; his grandchild, Shonna Perry; his greatgrandchild, Kyndall Gentry; and his brothers, Harold and Robert Gentry.

Those left behind to cherish his memory are his daughter, Donna Weeden of Cottondale; his sons, Glenn Gentry and wife, Jean, of Cottondale, Gary Gentry and wife, Sherry, of Decatur, and Roger Gentry and wife, Carla, of Cottondale; his grandchildren, Shelley Schaffer and husband, Matt; Sam Gentry and wife, Whitney; Nina Price and husband, Will; Kylie Stegman and husband, Chris; Chance Gentry and wife, Felicia; Jason Gentry and wife, Jennifer; Timothy Gentry; Amanda Gentry; Kason Gentry and wife, Chaney; Matthew Weeden; and April Winters and husband, Michael; his great-grandchildren, Lexi and Ashton Schaffer; Sawyer, Chandler, Grayson, Charlee, Jamison, Kelsey, Sara, Kynzlee, Kaytlynn Gentry; Eland Delgado; Syler and Sloane Stegman; Annabelle Price; Keylee, Walker, Mikah and Kimma Winters; and Mattison Weeden; He is also survived by a sister, Patricia Gay Read, and two brothers, Willard Gentry and Doug Gentry; numerous nieces and nephews; and his church family at First Baptist Church Cottondale. Hawkins Funeral Home Bridgeport | 940-683-2211 | hawkinsfuneralhome.com