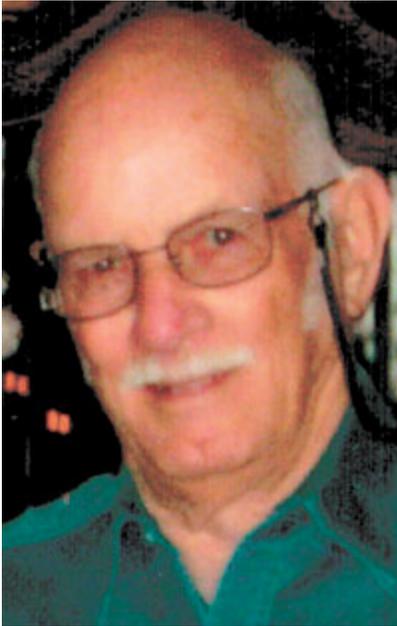


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Funeral for Billy Frank Tidwell, 77, of Chico, was Oct. 9 at Hawkins Funeral Home in Bridgeport with Clyde Austin officiating. Burial followed at Chico Cemetery.

Tidwell died Friday, Oct. 7, 2011, in Chico.

Born Aug. 1, 1934, in Grapevine to Robert and Pearl (Emery) Tidwell, he married Kathy Grayson Oct. 4, 1991, in Bridgeport. He served in the U.S. Navy and retired from Delta Airlines after 33 years. Tidwell was a longtime resident of Boyd.

He was preceded in death by son Tony Tidwell and brothers Ottice, John and Thaddeus Tidwell.

Tidwell is survived by his wife; sons Randy Tidwell of Corpus Christi, Larry Tidwell and wife, Susan, of Alvin, Dennis Tidwell and wife, Leesa, of Boyd, John Caraway of Bowie and Lynn Caraway of Boston; daughters Peggy Tidwell Jernigan of Bridgeport and Deanna Poole and husband, Gregg, of Decatur; grandchildren Chris, Kelly, Lil Randy, Steve, Jason, Candace, Whitney, Maegan, Shelbi, Casey, Cody and Austin; great-grandchildren Brett, William, Jacob, Isabell, Laramie, Brody, Maddie and Lacey; sisters Marie Grant of Hurst, Ramah Jo Wood of Grapevine and Nancy Widner of Graham; nieces; nephews; and extended family.

Pallbearers were Chris Tidwell, Randy Tidwell, Jason Jernigan, Casey Caraway, Cody Caraway and Austin Poole.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association at (800) 342-2383 or <http://diabetes.org>