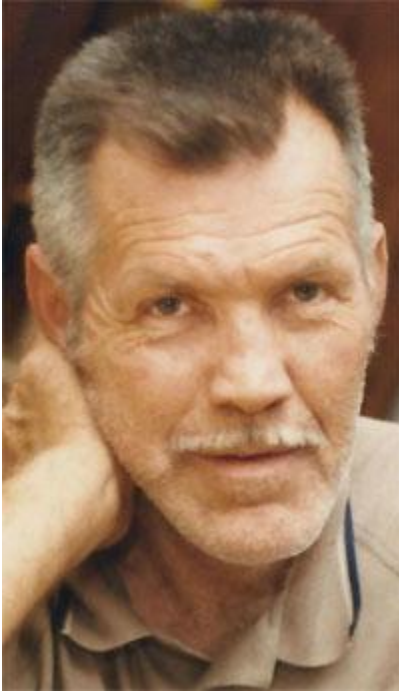


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Jerry LeRoy O'Brien, 77, of Springtown died Wednesday, April 16, 2014, at home.

Memorial service is 11 a.m. Saturday, April 26, at Jones Family Funeral Home in Bridgeport with Jimmy Williams officiating.

Jerry was born July 14, 1936, in Lockport, Ill., to Hershel and Elsie Irene (Allee) O'Brien. He served his country in Korea and was in the U.S. Army from 1953 to 1956. Jerry married Frances Johana Kemper Feb. 15, 1958, in Gainesville, and the couple moved to Wise County in 1972. Jerry was a devoted and loving husband and father. Others will remember him for his strong, caring, one-of-a-kind personality, but most of all, everyone will remember his sense of humor.

Jerry started working for the Missouri-Pacific Railroad as a railroad switchman in 1957 and retired in 1977. He was also a member of the United Transportation Union. His hobbies included farming, construction and mechanics, anything pertaining to his farm.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years; daughters Sherrie Ramsey and husband, Robert, of Paradise and Cheryl Allison and husband, Hank, of Mineral Wells; son Richard O'Brien and wife, Carol, of Fort Worth; brother Gerry O'Brien and wife, Carol, of Springtown; sister Peggy Smith of Fort Worth; grandchildren David Ramsey, Shyla Moore, Micheal Allison, Kristina Mitchell, Anthony Liles, Amanda O'Brien, Timothy O'Brien, Michelle O'Brien and Katherine O'Brien; nine great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Kathleen South of Palestine, Ill., and Betty Bowling of Fort Worth; and brother Larry O'Brien of Springtown.