

## **Donald Wayne Norris Sr. | 1933-2016**

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Donald Wayne Norris Sr., 82, of Paradise, died Friday, Jan. 22, 2016, in Dallas.

Funeral was Jan. 26 at the First Baptist Church in Paradise with the Rev. David Kelly officiating. Burial followed at Paradise Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Kevin Norris, Lee Taylor, Jimmy McKiel, Samuel Wooldridge, Rob Crawford and Joe Gilliland.

Donald was born Oct. 5, 1933, in Smith County to William and Maxine (Starr) Norris. He married Helmi Loehr March 10, 1956, in Bad Kreuznach, Germany. Donald was a member of the First Baptist Church in Paradise where he served as a deacon. He proudly served his country in the United States Army. Donald was a retired ag teacher at Paradise High School and a member of the Agriculture Teachers Association.

He was preceded in death by his parents; daughter Vanessa Norris; and brother Jerry Norris.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Helmi Norris of Paradise; daughter Debra Wooldridge Logan of Bridgeport; son Donald "Bo" Norris Jr. of Paradise; sister Melba Allen of Carroll; grandchildren Kyle Wooldridge and wife, Jennifer, Kristopher Wooldridge, Amber Nicole McKiel and husband, Jimmy, and Kayla Michea Taylor and husband, Lee; great-grandchildren Brooklyn, Kyndal, Jaciee, Adalyn and soon-to-be-No. 5 – Caylee; and numerous extended family members and friends.