

## Cansler, Gene Paul | 1940-2017

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Gene Cansler

Gene Paul Cansler, 76, of Bridgeport, died Monday, Jan. 23, 2017, in Bridgeport. Services will be 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 26, at Jones Family Funeral Home in Bridgeport with the Rev. Mike Wiltcher officiating. Burial will follow at West Bridgeport Cemetery.

Visitation is 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 25, at the funeral home.

Pallbearers are Freddy Winebrinner, Joshua Winebrinner, Zackery Winebrinner, Jimmy Brian, Cameron Brian and Lane Brian.

Gene was born Nov. 3, 1940, in Bridgeport to Earl and Dollie (Houchins) Cansler.

Gene was a man devoted to his wife and held a deep love for his grandchildren. He was an avid storyteller who also enjoyed fishing and cooking.

Gene was preceded in death by his parents; wife Thelma (Pollock) Cansler; son Bobby Winebrinner; and brother Terry Silveria.

He is survived by children Angie Cunningham, Gene Cansler Jr., Sandi Winebrinner, Freddy Winebrinner and wife, Bobbie Jo and Terresa Price; and siblings Linda Freeman and husband, Jimmy, R.E. "Buck" Houchins, Kenneth "PeeWee" Cansler and wife, Barbara, Sherry Crowell and husband, Tom, Rick Cansler and Lynn Cansler.

He's also survived by grandchildren Bobby, Tamara, Missy, Rachael, Michele, Olivia, Joshua, Zackery, Tabbitha, Amy, Brian and James; and numerous great- and great-great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.