



**Kenneth Lee "PeeWee" Cansler**

1939-2020

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Chico ~ Kenneth Lee "PeeWee" Cansler, 81, of Chico, went to be with our Lord Thursday, Nov. 26, 2020, in Chico.

Graveside service was Dec. 1 at Bethel Cemetery in Decatur.

The Rev. Joey Vick officiated. Pallbearers were Gary Pryor, David Cansler, Billy Cansler, Joey Brown and Ethan Pryor.

Kenneth was born May 16, 1939, to Earl Daniel and Dolly Ester (Ramsey) Cansler in Bridgeport. He was united in marriage to Barbara Pryor March 19, 1977, in Bridgeport. Kenneth was in construction and was a maintenance worker for the Methodist Camp, retiring after 10 years. He loved hunting and fishing and in his earlier years and loved to sing and perform at the Texas Opry among many other venues. Most thought his voice sounded like Ernest Tubb. He cherished his family and friends and his time spent with them. Kenneth was a beloved husband, father, brother, uncle, grandfather, great-grandfather and great-great-grandfather who will

be missed by all that knew and loved him.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and his brothers, Billy Don Cansler, Gene Paul Cansler and Terry Silveria.

Those left behind to cherish his memory are his wife of 43 years, Barbara Cansler of Chico; his sons, David Cansler and wife, Kimberley, of Newark and Bill Cansler and wife, Jo, of Gainsville; his daughters, Kathy Pryor of Decatur, Shari Cairns and husband, Roger, of Newark, Ginger Greenlee of Newark and Michele Moore of Belton; 10 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; his sisters, Linda Sue Freeman and husband, Jimmy and Sherry Crowell and husband, Tom, all of Marshall; his brothers, R.E. "Buck" Houchins of Ft. Worth, Rick Cansler of Salem, Ore., and Lynn Cansler and wife, Jan, of Colorado Springs, Colo.; and numerous extended family members and a host of friends.

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