

Hollingsworth, Edward Earl 1930-2021

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Edward Earl Hollingsworth, 91, left this life to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, Tuesday, Nov. 30, 2021.

Funeral was Dec. 4 at the First Methodist Church in Boyd. Burial is 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 15 at DFW National Cemetery.

Edward "Ed" was born June 27, 1930, to Kenneth Earl and Hazel O. (Creach) Hollingsworth in Elk City, Okla. Ed met Wyvonne Stephens at a dance in Dallas, and they were married May 3, 1952, at Kessler Park Baptist Church in Dallas. Edward, "E.E.," worked with his grandfather as a wheat harvester, cutting north across the Great Plains, starting in Texas and extending as far north as the Canadian border. He proudly served our country in the United States Air Force during the Korean War and then worked as an aircraft mechanic for Braniff Airlines. He later worked for the U.S. Department of Defense as a quality assurance representative

and ultimately retired from that work.

Edward was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Boyd for 40 years. He also served the children of his community as a member of the Boyd ISD Board of Trustees. Ed had a passion for dirt track auto racing. He worked as a pit crew member for, and had friendships with, countless drivers and in his 70s, even spent a year driving car #70+. Ed was preceded in death by his wife of 56 years, Wyvonne Hollingsworth; his brother, Thomas Frederick "Buddy" Hollingsworth; and his sister, Vonda Mitchell.

Those left to cherish his memory, carry on his legacy of faith and extend his lifelong commitment to family are four sons, Kenneth S. Hollingsworth and wife, Yun Cha, of McKinney, Timothy E. Hollingsworth and wife, LouElla, of Haslet, Kelly D. Hollingsworth of Haslet and Jerry Don Hollingsworth and wife, Ginger, of Bandera; daughter Cathy Cartmill and husband, Jerry, of Fort Worth; 13 grandchildren, Steve and Patrick Cartmill, Leslie Vander Gheynst, Adam and Leah Hollingsworth, Alicia Beatrice, Emily, Andrew, Jason, Rebekah, Wyatt, Lane and Clayton Hollingsworth; four great-grandchildren; his brother, Larry Hollingsworth and wife, Sue, of Hammon, Okla.; his sister, Carolyn Lindsay of Elk City, Okla.; numerous nieces and nephews, including special nieces, Kari, Shari, Melanie and Somer Hightower of Estes Park, Colo.; other relatives; and a host of friends.