



Hicks, Melvin Gene

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Melvin Gene Hicks, 82, passed away on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2022, at his home in Cibolo. He was born and raised in Decatur. He was the second son of Archie Olney and Francis "Josephine" (Neely) Hicks, born on Sept. 29, 1940.

He went to Decatur High School and joined the US Navy in 1959. He was based out of San Diego during the Vietnam war, where he learned his craft as an electrician. After being honorably discharged from the Navy in Jan. 1963, Melvin went on to work as a master electrician in Wise County. In mid-1964, he met the love of his life, Sandra "Kay" (Clark). They were married on Sept. 16, 1964, in Ardmore, Okla., and remained together for more than 56 years before Kay's passing in May 2021. They began their married life together in Decatur. Due to his work, they took the big move away from family, moving south until finally landing in Cibolo in 1986. Melvin worked for Randolph Air Force Base as an electrician until 1981, and then was in the civil engineering department at

Randolph Air Force base until he retired in April 2007. He not only worked a day job to care for his family, he also worked a second job for most of his married life. His last was with Walmart until he retired in April 2020. Throughout the years, Melvin's servant's heart led him to participate on multiple commissions and committees for the City of Cibolo. Eventually, he was elected as a City Councilman and continued to serve on boards even after his term of office. He was a hard-working man who loved his family and did everything he could to be sure they were well cared for.

He and Kay were blessed with four children, Sonja L. (Hicks) Grissom, 57, Jessica A. Hicks, 55, and husband, Henry, Joel W. Hicks, 54, and Gabe S. Hicks, 51, and wife, Ashley, along with their "special daughter" Rachel (Hicks) Woody, 39 and husband, Spencer. He was also blessed with five more grandchildren, Lindsey L. (Shepherd) Calhoun, 35, and husband Chris, Matthew J. Mosqueda, 31, Joshua A. Mosqueda, 28, Cody A. Hicks, 27, and Jayden T. Hicks, 19. Along with six great-granddaughters, Monica M. Mosqueda, 14, Lydiah F. Woody, 12, Peyton L. Calhoun, 12, Kylie R. Calhoun, 10, Lilly S. Woody, 10 and Violet N. Calhoun, 15. He also leaves behind his niece, Marie (Hicks) Young, a great-nephew, a great-great nephew, two great-great nieces, and many other family and friends whom he loved dearly.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Sandra "Kay" Clark Hicks; parents, Archie and Josephine Hicks; his brother, Doug Hicks; nephew, Douglas "Bubba" Hicks Jr.; in-laws Edgar and Winnie Clark; and great-granddaughter, Promise E. Mosqueda.

A celebration of life will be held for Melvin at noon Saturday, Dec. 17, 2022, at Everyday Christian Fellowship, 950 Everyday Way, Cibolo, with a reception to follow at a family member's home in Cibolo. Burial will be at a later date at the Greenwood Cemetery in Greenwood, next to his wife.

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