



Oates, David H.

1944-2022

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Decatur ~ David H. Oates, 77, went to be with our Lord Friday April 15, 2022, in Decatur.

Funeral Service was Thursday at Hawkins Funeral Home in Decatur with burial following in Pleasant Grove #1 Cemetery.

Dr. Bill Hughes officiated. Pallbearers were to include, Bryan Tipton, Houston Oates, Wendal Bridges, Stetson Oates, David Shannon, D.B. Read, Jared Rogers and Pat Oates. Honorary Bearers were Jim Lambert, Donald Etter, Jimmy Etter, Paul Kelly, Gerald Oates, Gaylon Oates, Bob Hudson and Tana Souvanna.

David was born Nov. 7, 1944, to Paul "Red" and Leona Elizabeth (Taylor) Oates in Decatur. He was a veteran and proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a truck driver and worked for Sprint Telecom.

He was united in marriage to Carol Ann Rudock Sept. 26, 1983, in Denton.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Norma Jean Bridges; his

stepsons, Jeremy Arnold and Shane Arnold.

Those left behind to cherish his memory are his wife, Carol Ann Oates of Decatur; his son, David Wayne Oates of Mexico; his sister, Mabel Lee Henry of Fort Worth; his brother, Jerry Paul Oates and wife, Lori, of Paradise; his mother-in-law, Nancy Carol Posten and husband, James, of Montrose, Pa.; his sisters-in-law, Suzette Hillis and husband, Randy, Kathleen King and Cheryl Brozetti; numerous nieces, nephews, and good friends.

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