



**Phillips, Larry W.**

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Chico ~ Larry W. Phillips, 84, went to be with our Lord Saturday, Jan. 28, 2023.

Funeral was Friday, Feb. 3, 2023, at Rise Church in Decatur, with burial at Oaklawn Cemetery. James Varnadore officiated. Pallbearers included Danny Smith, Michael Martin, Tommy Martin, Johnny Malone, Jerrel Martinez and Alton Prince.

Larry was born Oct. 30, 1938, to Earnest and Alieth (Lightfoot) Phillips in Harlingen. He was united in marriage May 11, 1976, to Shirley Ann Martinez in Ardmore, Okla. He retired as the owner of an HVAC company that he worked at for many years. He proudly served our country in the United States Navy. Larry was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, uncle and

friend to many who will miss him dearly.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Earnest and Alieth Phillips; son, Kenneth Phillips; a granddaughter, Lauren Phillips; and two infant brothers, David and Michael.

Those left behind to cherish his memory are his wife, Shirley Phillips of Chico; his daughters, Debra Curry and husband, Randy, of Chico, and Amanda Pultz and husband, Jerry, of North Richland Hills; four granddaughters, Kelcie, Jacquelyn, Brooklyn and Halie; four great-grandchildren, Seth, Colton, Prince and Phoenix; his brother, Jimmy Phillips of Garland; numerous extended family members and a host of friends.

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