



Mr. Bernd Otto Winkel

January 24, 1943 - December 12, 2020

Graveside services for Mr. Bernd Otto Winkel, 77 of Clayton, Texas will be held at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, December 17, 2020 at Clayton Cemetery with Mr. Ted Mauritzen officiating. Burial will follow under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Visitation will be Wednesday evening from 5-7:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

Mr. Bernd Otto Winkel was born January 24, 1943 in Bochum, Germany to the marriage of Otto Rudolph and Hanna Hermes Winkel and passed this life December 12, 2020 at his home in Clayton. Bernd came to the United States with his mother after WWII in 1949. Raised by his mother and Aunt Friedel Heuckendorff, he graduated from Marion High School in Houston and then furthered his education at the University of Houston. Bernd met and married the love of his life, Joe Ann Mauritzen on August 5, 1967 and together they celebrated 53 years of marriage. Mr. Winkel retired from the NASA United Space Alliance after 40 years of service and 129 missions. He was of the Lutheran faith and attended Bethel Baptist Church. Bernd enjoyed antique cars and was a former member of the Galveston and Houston Antique Car Clubs. He loved his Longhorn Cows, dog, and cat, but most of all his grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and his Aunt Friedel. Mr. Winkel is survived by his loving wife Jo Ann Winkel of Clayton; sons, Joe Winkel and wife Kristen of Galveston, and David Winkel and wife Alma of Houston; grandchildren, Erin Griffin and husband Sean and Hunter Winkel, and Cousin Ralf Theimer and his wife Carolyn of Brenham Tx.

In lieu of flowers the family request memorials be made to Clayton Cemetery
2372 FM 1970, Carthage, Texas 75633.

Cemetery Details

Clayton Cemetery

158 CR 1521
Clayton, TX

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 16. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home
307 West Wellington Street, P.O. Box 188
Carthage, TX

Graveside Service

DEC 17. 2:00 PM (CT)

Clayton Cemetery
158 CR 1521
Clayton, TX

Tribute Wall

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“*Mrs Winkel, we're so sorry to hear of Mr. Winkel's passing this week. Our family really enjoyed that day we got to hangout with you guys at Joe and Kristen's beautiful new place on the water. After hearing YEARS of stories about you guys, the dogs, the ranch, the longhorn world, trips to the "vet".....all the time from Joe it was great to finally get to meet you guys. Just like to say you guys raised one hell of a good man in Joe! He is one of the smartest, funniest, most sincere guys I've ever met. Joe is one of the most skilled, highly respected professionals in his field..... More importantly, he is an even better father, husband, friend, colleague, and American. After spending some time with you and Mr Winkel it was obvious where he got all that from! God bless you and your family, you'll be in our thoughts and prayers.*

- The Uremovich family

Matt Uremovich - December 16, 2020 at 03:27 PM



“*Sweet Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Bernd Otto Winkel.*



December 16, 2020 at 02:16 PM



“ *Care and Compassion Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Bernd Otto Winkel.*



December 16, 2020 at 12:23 PM



“ *JoeAnn, words cannot express our sorrow on hearing of Bernd's passing. You know how much we had loved our trips to other places and visiting at your home. We will always remember the fun, laughs, and friendship. Wix and I are praying for you and the boys and their families! He is always in our hearts! We love you and hope to see you next year!*

Joann Gaston - December 15, 2020 at 11:29 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Bernd Otto Winkel.*



December 15, 2020 at 11:04 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Bernd Otto Winkel.*



December 15, 2020 at 03:24 PM

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“ Dear Joe Ann and family,

Our thoughts and prayers are with you in the loss of Bernd. He was such a gentleman who never seemed to meet a stranger, and we have lost a true friend. May God give you comfort and peace in this difficult time.

With our deepest sympathy,

Jack and Cathy Harris

Cathy Harris - December 15, 2020 at 02:26 PM

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“ *The Leifer family purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Mr. Bernd Otto Winkel.*



The Leifer family - December 15, 2020 at 01:58 PM

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“ *From the Johnstone, Grove, and Jones Families purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Bernd Otto Winkel.*



From the Johnstone, Grove, and Jones Families - December 15, 2020 at 01:02 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Bernd Otto Winkel.*



December 15, 2020 at 11:48 AM



“ *Joe Ann our thoughts and prayers are with you and Joe and David.*

Mary and Chris Weems - December 15, 2020 at 10:52 AM



“ *Joe Ann our deepest sympathies. May God bless the family in this time of loss.*

Don & Paula Ransom

Don Ransom & Paula - December 15, 2020 at 10:15 AM