



## Mr. Joe Frank Metcalf

May 23, 1942 - October 19, 2013

Joe Frank Metcalf passed away at 4:50 a.m. on October 19, 2013 at the age of 71. He was the son of Andrew and Ara Metcalf of Panola County.

Preceding Joe in death was his parents and granddaughter Emily McCracken. His devoted wife, Willena "Willie" Fay Metcalf of 43 years, survives Joe. They were married in Marshall, Texas on February 6, 1970.

Joe Frank Metcalf is lovingly remembered by his children: Sherry Stone Simpson of Longview, Texas, Brenda Stone of Tatum, Texas, Bobby Stone, Jr. of California, Patty Stone of Kilgore, Texas and daughter Kim Metcalf Permenter of Tatum, Texas. Joe is survived by 10 grandchildren: James Howell, Joey Howell, Jon Howell, Misty Roberts, Heather Stone, Dylan Stone, Bobbie Stone, Addison Maxwell, Hannah Nipp and Chloe Permenter as well as 6 great-grandchildren, numerous nephews, nieces and a host of friends. Joe Frank was born in Panola County on May 23, 1942. He graduated from Tatum High School in 1960 and went on to attend Panola College and then earned a Bachelors of Science degree from Stephen F. Austin State University in 1967. He worked as a mechanic for Texas Utilities Generating Company for 21 years until his retirement. Joe also served as president and business manager of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 2337. Over the years, he was actively involved in the community where he served with the Tatum Athletic Booster Club, Lions Club, Friends of the Tatum Public Library and the Tatum Volunteer Fire Department, Joe Frank Metcalf (Dad, Daddy, Papaw) will be remembered fondly as a larger

than life character. He was well known for his ability to never meet a stranger and could “talk the horns off a billy goat”. Joe enjoyed collecting all things, especially bartering for junk from a local sale. On Friday nights, he could be found supporting his beloved Tatum Eagles while cheering the Dallas Cowboys on Sundays. Joe’s love for the Eagles led him to write the only historical account of Tatum Eagle football, titled “How About Them Eagles: A History of Tatum Eagle Football. He knew a little bit about everything and if he didn’t, he would just make something up. Joe was enamored with good books, old western movies, junk mail and an ice cold Coca Cola. Joe Frank loved indulging all the kids in his life with a little “walk around money” and a special occasion root beer.

The visitation will be held at Hawthorn Funeral Home in Carthage, Texas on Wednesday, October 23, 2013 from 6:00 – 8:00 in the evening.

The funeral service will be held at Hawthorn Funeral Home in Carthage, Texas at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 24, 2013 with Jason Taylor officiating.

Interment will follow at Harris Chapel Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Tatum Ex Student's Association –Joe Frank Metcalf Memorial Scholarship at Citizen's Bank in Tatum, Texas.

# Cemetery Details

## Harris Chapel Cemetery

5089 FM 959  
Tatum, TX 75691

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **23**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home  
307 West Wellington Street  
P.O. Box 188  
Carthage, TX 75633  
(903) 693-3816  
info@hawthornfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.hawthornfuneralhome.com>

## Service

OCT **24**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel  
307 W Wellington St.  
Carthage, Tx

# Tribute Wall



“ Hawthorn Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Joe Frank Metcalf



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**Hawthorn Funeral Home** - October 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ Had the privilege of working with Joe Frank for many years at Texas Utilities (Luminant). Yes, I do remember quite fondly that Joe Frank was never at a loss to carry on a conversation about anything. He was always in the best of moods. My sincere condolences to the family. - Bryan Tarjick

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**Bryan Tarjick** - October 25, 2013 at 08:27 PM

DA

“ I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Joe Frank, I will keep you all in my prayers. Carol Deaton Monic

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**Daphne** - October 24, 2013 at 10:25 PM

BC

“ Joe was a part the the Longview Jaycee Trade Days Family. We all truly missed him when he had to give it up. He always had a story to tell and a kind word for all. He always shared his stories about his grandkids , who you could surely tell he was a Proud PawPaw! We all hoped he would be able to come back to his coin trading but couldn't. He was a bright light in our Trade Days and loved by all of us. We will miss Joe!

*Our sincere sympathy to his family.*

*The Longview Jaycees*

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**Billy & Joan Clay** - October 23, 2013 at 10:39 AM



Christian  
DeAgüero

“ I currently work at the plant myself and while I didn't know him personally, I knew of him. Since his passing there have been several of the "old timers" sharing stories of working with and around him and you can't help but smile. Just wanted family to know he left good memories and some good friends out here.

*We weren't made to say goodbye but farewells are on the clock.*

*God is preparing a reunion for each of us and one day we will see our loved ones smiling with no pain, no suffering; only joy.*

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**Christian DeAgüero** - October 23, 2013 at 06:48 AM



“ Worked with joe for many years, at the plant, on committes and union business. Joe was always a lot of fun, I enjoyed working with him. Sincerely Mike Denton

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**Micky Virginia Denton** - October 22, 2013 at 01:23 PM

RW

“ *Kim and Chloe,  
Our hearts are left with a big whole with the Lord calling your dad home so soon. Your family will miss him terribly but know that you have left us with so many precious memories. His kindness and love lives on through y'all. May God be with your family during these difficult times ahead and know that God does have a plan if we just trust him. You were so blessed to have had him in your lives. May God wrap his arms around you and guide you through the coming days. We love you and are here for you.  
In our thoughts and prayers,  
Reagan and Brenda Wyche*

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**Reagan and Brenda Wyche** - October 20, 2013 at 02:12 PM

JJ

*Dear Kim and Chloe,  
Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers with the passing of your dad and Paw Paw. Let his precious memories burn eternal in your hearts and minds as you go through the days ahead. It is such a blessing to be able to reflect upon the good times and the special place he holds in your heart.  
Love you much,  
Jo Anne Jordan*

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**Jo Anne Jordan** - October 23, 2013 at 04:37 PM