



Mr. Lovis Clifton Phillips

July 28, 1924 - November 28, 2014

Funeral services for Mr. Lovis Phillips, 90, of Gary, Texas will be 10:00 a.m. Monday, December 1, 2014 at Eastside Baptist Church in Gary, Texas with Dr. P. A. Dubose and Rev. Dale Walker officiating. Burial will follow in the Gary Cemetery under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Family visitation will be 6-8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Mr. Phillips died November 28, 2014 at his home in Gary, Texas.

Mr. Lovis Clifton Phillips was born July 28, 1924 in Gary, Texas. He was one of six children born to the marriage of Jesse Charley "J.C." and Maggie Belle Ritter Phillips. Lovis was raised and schooled in Gary later serving his country through the U.S. Army during WWII in Germany. He married Willie Jo Collins May 22, 1943 and together they celebrated 65 years together before she preceded him in death in 2008. Mr. Phillips worked for the Highway Department as an asphalt foreman. He spent his life time as a cattle rancher, loving husband and father. Lovis was a charter member and first deacon in the Eastside Baptist Church. His first job was working at the tomato sheds for .50 a day. He saved and bought his first guitar for \$5.00, and spent a lifetime loving and playing music. He was involved in many bands such as the Graves Gospel Singers, the Jointaires Quartet and the Panola Ramblers. He is also preceded in death by his parents, siblings, Reba Irene Phillips Bowlin, James Phillips, Jessie Belle Campbell. Alton Ross Phillips, and son-in-law, Tommy Davis.

Mr. Phillips is survived by his son, Larry Keith Phillips of Gary, daughter,

Beverly Davis of Liberty, brother Huey Dan Phillips and wife Mary Jo of Huxley, sister-in-law, Charlice Phillips of Gary, step grandchildren, Jason Samford of Center and Michael Samford and wife Jessica of Bryan, Holly Baker and husband Phillip of Gary, Kristen Richardson and husband Justin of Henderson, great grandchildren, Colby, Hailey and Trinity Baker, Colt Richardson, Korbin Samford and Raven Samford numerous nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

Serving as pallbearers will be; Bobby Phillips, Phil Campbell, Phillip Baker, Jason Samford, Michael Samford, Justin Richardson and Colby Baker.

Honorary pallbearers will be the deacons at Eastside Baptist Church; Bill Anderson, Kevin Lake, Clyde Graves, Maxie Lake, Sydney Burns, Walter Craft and Troy Lake.

An online guestbook may be signed at www.hawthornfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Gary Cemetery

176 Bobcat Trail
Gary, TX 75643

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 30. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Service

DEC 1. 10:00 AM (CT)

Eastside Baptist Church
1996 FM 999
Gary, TX

Tribute Wall

LP

“ *Mr. Phillips was my friend. Beverly's father and the song leader at the church I attended in Gary as a young person. He and Mrs. Willie Jo, his wife, visited in our home on many occasions and we visited in theirs. I was pianist for the church and enjoyed working with Mr. Phillips on the music we would use for the services. He was a a very good man whom I remember fondly from my childhood. May God be with his family during this extremely difficult period.*

Lynn Thomas Pyle - December 03, 2014 at 09:23 AM



“ *Basket of Joy was purchased for the family of Mr. Lovis Clifton Phillips.*



November 29, 2014 at 07:23 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Lovis Clifton Phillips.*



November 29, 2014 at 03:26 PM

BM

“ I loved Lovis! His smile and kindness would always light up the room! I got to know him and see his talent first hand when we all were in the Silver Strummers! Such a talented christian man that spread love and joy through his music. My sincerest sympathies to the family of Lovis Phillips.

Brenda Harrigan Milstead - November 28, 2014 at 09:10 PM

RM

Such a good man. I met him and his wife personally about 15 or more years ago. Really like them. They love the Lord, their church, pastors, and family. In a better place now.

Ronnie Mutina - November 29, 2014 at 11:55 AM

JP

My Uncle Lovis was always so sweet and kind to my family. My brother and I have wonderful memories of summers with his family. Our love and sympathy go out to his family at this time.

Jode Collins Polster - November 29, 2014 at 04:29 PM

 Holly Baker

Mrs. Brenda, he loved playing in the Silver Stummers too. That was his passion after his God!!

Holly Baker - November 30, 2014 at 04:22 PM

AN

The Gary community lost a great citizen and friend! May God strengthen the family.

Andy & June Nutt - November 30, 2014 at 06:19 PM

SM

Sweet, God loving man!! He will be missed!

Sandy McAillister - November 30, 2014 at 08:48 PM



Mr.Lovis and the entire Phillips Family have shown their love of God in their musical talents . The laughter they shared was welcomed by the nursing home residents. . Their "instruments" brought much joy and encouragement.

Lynette Vaughn

Lynette Vaughn - November 30, 2014 at 08:50 PM