



## Mr. William Murl Birmingham

July 18, 1939 - September 17, 2014

Funeral services for Mr. William Murl Birmingham, 75 of Carthage, Texas will be 2:00 p.m., Saturday, September 20, 2014 at the Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Allen Tilley officiating. Burial with military honors will follow in the Centennial Cemetery under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Family visitation will be Friday evening from 6–8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Mr. Birmingham passed away September 17, 2014 in Shreveport, Louisiana. Mr. William Murl Birmingham was born July 18, 1939 in Timpson, Texas to the marriage of Cliff E. and Joyce Josephine Manuel Birmingham. Murl graduated from Carthage High School with the class of 1958 and latter attended Panola Jr. College and Texas A&M University. Mr. Birmingham proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam Conflict where he was awarded two Bronze Stars. Murl was a welder by trade, taught Military Science at the Howe Military Academy in Howe, IN and was a member of the VFW Post 5620. He married Lois Christine Cordray on September 16, 1988 and celebrated 26 years together. Mr. Birmingham is preceded in death by his parents, son, Bill Birmingham, Jr. and a brother, Ronnie Birmingham. Mr. Birmingham is survived by his wife, Christine Birmingham of Carthage; sons, James D. Birmingham of Kingmon, KS, Blanton Rich of Carthage; daughters, Angela Dickson and husband Rusty of Shreveport, LA, Stephanie Bishop and husband Ed of Deadwood; daughter-in-law, Janel Birmingham of Keithville, LA; sister, Sylvia Armstrong and husband Max of Tyler; numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other relatives and a

host of friends.

Serving as pallbearers will be Scott Cordray, Don Allen Knight, Ken Brown, Wayne Cordray, Keith Armstrong, Max Armstrong, Justin Swearingin and Eddie Sparks. Honorary pallbearers will be Jerry Anderson, Gaylon Anderson and W.P. West.

If desired, the family request donations be made to Centennial Cemetery Association, First Baptist Church of Carthage or VFW Post 5620.

# Cemetery Details

## Centennial Cemetery

4403 FM 123  
DeBerry, TX 75639

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **19**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Service

SEP **20**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall

DS

“ I was so sorry to read of Murl's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with your family during this time of sadness.

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**Dona Scott** - September 23, 2014 at 01:51 PM

SF

“ My heart goes out to the Birmingham family at this time. I know them well.

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**Sarah Fugler** - September 20, 2014 at 12:09 AM

TB

*Love and miss you Aunt Sarah!*

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**Tonja Birmingham** - September 20, 2014 at 07:13 PM

LJ

“ MURL WAS A BOY SCOUT IN MY TROOP AT FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, MANY YEARS AGO. REMEMBER HIM AS A FINE YOUNG MAN AND AM PROUD OF HIM THROUGH HIS WORK AND HIS FAMILY. KNEW HE LIVED ON OLD GARY ROAD JUST OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS. L. E. CUSH REEVES, JR.

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**L. E. CUSH REEVES JR** - September 19, 2014 at 01:36 PM

KW

“ Though there were miles between us, the love was always in our hearts. I have many memories to keep me company. Till we meet up again , Your loving daughter, Kelly.

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**Kelly Wade** - September 19, 2014 at 12:19 PM

JW

“ James,  
*I am very sorry for your loss. Praying for God to provide comfort and peace*

John Worley - September 19, 2014 at 10:09 AM

MC

“ Melissa Anderson Cox, Cassidy Cox & Chandler Cox purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. William Murl Birmingham.



Melissa Anderson Cox, Cassidy Cox & Chandler Cox -  
September 19, 2014 at 08:37 AM

GA

“ Gaylon & Diane Anderson purchased the American the Beautiful for the family of Mr. William Murl Birmingham.



Gaylon & Diane Anderson - September 19, 2014 at 08:33 AM

ST

“ No more pain, no more suffering. Murl we will miss you and love you always, Ed, Stephanie, and Priscilla

Stephanie - September 18, 2014 at 06:54 PM

EL

“ *Elaineross lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Murl Birmingham*



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**elaineross** - September 18, 2014 at 02:20 PM

EL

*So sorry Christine praying for you and family. May Gods blessings be with you all. Elaine Ballard Ross*

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**elaineross** - September 18, 2014 at 02:22 PM



*Would love to communicate with Murl's Birmingham family members to share our Birmingham Family history. Bill Horn, a 3rd cousin to Murl. billhorn42@verizon.net*

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**Bill Horn** - August 11, 2018 at 07:07 PM