

# Remembering A Great Man...

Royce D. Canaday of Yantis, Texas, gained his heavenly wings on Monday, February 6, 2023, at the age of 88 at home surrounded by his loving family.

He is preceded in death by his wife Sybil Lee Canaday; his parents, James "Jim" and Vera "Ludie" Canaday; his brother, James "J.E." Canaday; his sisters, Mavis Kennimer and Rosie Kennimer.

Mr. Canaday was a longtime member of the First Baptist Church in Quitman and enjoyed spending time at the Forever Young Activity Center in Quitman. He loved a good game of 42 Dominos and visiting with friends. Mr. Canaday was a proud Veteran of the United States Air Force training and based at Lackland Air Force Base as part of the 3701 Squadron in San Antonio, Texas.

Royce loved fishing, horse riding, and playing dominos. He is survived by many nieces and nephews who he loved and spent time with when they were children. No matter the distance between them, they still kept in touch and visited him when possible.

He is survived by his nieces and nephews, Linda Hearn of Quitman, Jeannie Keener of Dallas, Sandra Kennimer, Sue Watson, Jimmy Dell Kennimer, Teresa Christian, Ryan Canaday, Greg Canaday, and Rhonda Majors; great nephews, Gary Trussell of Alba; great nieces, Adrian Hearn of Quitman; great great niece, Nikki Friedrich of Athens, and Laikyn Cooper of Quitman; and countless great and great great nieces and nephews.

Mr. Canaday was uncle to many, PawPaw to some, and a friend to everyone who knew him. He will be missed dearly.

# In Loving Memory of...

# Royce Dee Canaday

## FUNERAL SERVICE

1:00 PM Thursday February 9, 2023  
Lowe-Gardner Funerals & Cremations  
Quitman, Texas

## OFFICIATING

Pastor Joel McMullen

## PALLBEARERS

Deacons of First Baptist Church Quitman

## MUSICAL SELECTIONS

"Lead Me Home"  
"I Want To Stroll Over Heaven With You"  
"Lord Build Me a Cabin"  
"How Great Thou Art"

## BURIAL

Yantis Cemetery





## **I Made It Home**

**I just wanted to let you know I made it home.**

**Everything is so pretty here, so fresh, so new. I wish that you could close your eyes so you could see it too.**

**Please try not to be sad for me. Try to understand. God is taking care of me...I'm in the shelter of His hands.**

**Here there is no sadness, and no sorrow, and no pain. Here there is no crying, and I'll never hurt again.**

**Here it is so peaceful, when all the angels sing. I really have to go now... I've just got to try my wings.**

**P.S... I'll be the first face you see when you get here!**

*In Loving Memory of...*



*Royce Dee Canaday*



**April 14, 1934 - February 6, 2023**