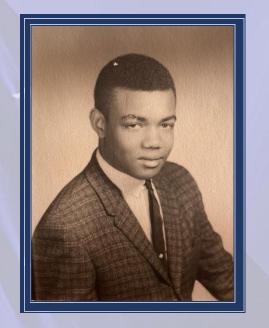
## From the Halstied Family!

Family and Friends, please know that each act of kindness shown us during these dark hours is highly appreciated. As we continue to brave this storm, please keep our families in your prayers. We thank God for all the love you have shown.



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## celébrating the Life of

## Geary (Gary) Wayne Halstied

Sunrise: March 27, 1946 - Sunset: January 13, 2022 Celebration Thursday, January 20, 2022 One O'clock in the Afternoon

> Prairie View Cemetery Marietta, OK The Rev. Eugene Bellard, Officiant

## His Story

**Geary (Gary) Wayne Halstied** was born at home in Marietta, Oklahoma on March 27, 1946 as the last child of Florcie (McCarrell) and Henry Halstied.

**Geary** graduated Marietta High School in 1964 and attended Murray State College. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1966 and served two tours in Vietnam.

After returning from Vietnam, Geary met and married Alice Lawson. A son, Gary Halstied Jr. (Frosty), was born. Life happened, and Alice and Geary chose to go their separate ways. He later met Jessie Mae Walker, whom he declared as *"the only woman he ever loved"* and they were married July 23, 1974. Jessie came with a beautiful little girl named Monica, whom he raised as his own. As a result of their union, two additional children were born, LaQuanda and Bradley.

**Geary** worked for Texaco Pipeline for 25 years and they made their home in Grand Prairie, TX. They were married 20 years when she passed away in December 1994.

**Geary** was a character and had the ability to make you laugh and make you angry all in one sentence. He was a hard-working man of his word and always made sure that he paid the cost to be the boss. If you had the pleasure of meeting him, he impacted your life in some way and you were guaranteed to walk away with a smile and/or shaking your head.

**Geary** was preceded in death by his parents, Florcie and Henry, Halstied; 2 brothers, W.L. and Harvey (George); 1 sister, Billie Caro, and his grandson, Deon Halstied.

**Geary** leaves behind 7 children: LaVonnia McGowan, Gainesville, Sheila Thomas-Boon, (Darin), Waxahachie, TX, Gary Halstied Jr., (LaCreta), Allen, TX, Monica Frazier, (Vernon) Cedar Hill, TX, LaQuanda Thompson, DeSoto, TX, Markesha Ealoms, College Station, TX, and Bradley Halstied, (Carmen) Marietta, OK;

Grandchildren: Raven Trigg, Kelsey Ingram, MacKenzie Halstied, Siboneni Halstied, Gabrielle Mbamala, Mikaela Lockwood, Jalen Frazier, Trinity Thompson, Kianna Ealoms, Lincoln Thompson, Kaleb Ealoms, De'Erika Halstied, Eli Halstied, Holden Thompson, and Devon Halstied;

Great-Grandchildren: Lauren Rufus and Cristofer Rufus Jr., in addition to a host of nieces, nephews, numerous cousins, friends and other acquaintances. Shatrese Douglass and Tanica Anderson held special places in his heart.



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