

OBITUARY

Billy passed away Saturday, May 4, 2024, in Burleson. He was born February 19, 1941 in Riverside, California to Joseph Warren and Evvie Lee (Nichols) Hirst. Billy was of the Pentecostal faith. He married Linda Gail Mears on October 26, 1966 in Tijuana, Mexico. Billy proudly served his country in the United States Army. He worked as a Welder in the Structural industry and as an Artist for Walt Disney Animation. Billy spent the majority of his career as a welder/fitter. He was a fisherman but also enjoyed sketching, oil painting and antique cars. He adored his family, calling his granddaughters "country punkins 1 & 2". Billy will be greatly missed by all that knew him.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Linda; son, Brent Hirst and Lisa Banaszek; grandchildren, Brittany Abernathy and Sean, Katherine Hirst and Lane Copeland; great-grandchildren, Rylee Maddox, Josie Maddox, and Lily Abernathy; and daughter-in-law, Mary Hirst.

Billy was preceded in death by his parents; sons, Billy Joe Hirst, Jr., and Brian Keith Hirst; and sister, Gloria Hirst.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: American Leukemia Society.

*Made especially for the **Billy Joe Hirst Family**
by the Staff of Crosier-Pearson Cleburne Funeral Home
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IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Billy Joe Hirst

02.19.1941 - 05.04.2024

As I Must Leave You

*As I must leave you
For a little while,
Please go on bravely
With a gallant smile
And for my sake and in my name,
Live on and do all things
The same-
Spend not your life in empty days,
But fill each waking hour
In useful ways-
Reach out your hand
In comfort and in cheer,
And I in turn will comfort you
And hold you near.*

REMEMBERING
Billy Joe Hirst

BORN

*Wednesday February 19, 1941
Riverside, California*

PASSED AWAY

*Saturday May 4, 2024
Burlison, Texas*

SERVICE

*1:00 P.M.
Saturday May 11, 2024
Brazos Point Cemetery
At the Graveside*

OFFICIATING

David Brandon Knight

FINAL PLACE OF REST

*Brazos Point Cemetery
Kopperl, Texas*