

Remembering Joe...

Joe Cephus Parris, Jr. age 81 of Quitman, Texas passed away on September 18, 2024, in Dallas, Texas. He was born on December 18, 1942, in Greenville, Texas to Wilma Irene (Chambliss) and Joe Cephus Parris. Joe was married to Patsy Almon Parris who preceded him in death in September of 2016.

After finishing high school, Joe became a bank teller, working while attending college at Southern Methodist University, earning his degree, and eventually becoming Bank President at Wood County National Bank in Quitman, Texas. He is fondly remembered in our community as a man who helped many achieve their dreams as well as helping many through hard times serving as our community Banker. He will be remembered for his Elvis impersonation shows, entertaining anywhere he was called to do so, and spending time in several nursing homes, bringing smiles to many faces. He actively participated in the Quitman Community Theatre. Joe was a past honoree of the Quitman Chamber of Commerce, having been named the Citizen of the Year.

He was a devoted member of the Church of Christ throughout his life, sometimes teaching bible classes, and as recently as the last few weeks of his life, serving as song leader, but always, living as a servant in the work of Jesus Christ.

Joe Parris is survived by his daughter, Deena and her husband Dr. Gregory Eberhart of Quitman, TX; daughter, Patti and her husband Reggie Spence, of Teague, TX; granddaughters, Baylee and her husband Brayden Sessions of Nebraska, Brittany Pilkton of Teague, TX, and Leighann Franzen of Wichita, KS; and his precious great-grandchildren, Jonathan and Kelsee McKinley of Mineola, TX.

In Loving Memory of... *Joe Cephus Parris Jr.*

Visitation

9:00- 10:00 A.M. Saturday, October 12, 2024
Lowe-Gardner Funerals & Cremations
Quitman, Texas

Graveside Service

12:00 P.M. Saturday, October 12, 2024
Cumby Cemetery
Cumby, Texas

Celebrating & Sharing

Brother Mark Edge
Michael Hipp
Morgan Whitley



IN OUR HEARTS FOREVER

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters; He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death; I fear no evil; for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You have anointed my head with oil; My cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord Forever.



Joe Cephus Parris Jr.
December 18, 1942 - September 18, 2024

"The bond that links your true family is not one of blood, but of respect and joy in each other's life."