



William "Bill" Wayne Gentry

March 4, 1926 - June 21, 2017

William "Bill" Wayne Gentry, 91, a native of Sumner, Texas and long-time resident of Grand Prairie, died on Wednesday, June 21, 2017 in a local hospital in Arlington, Texas.

Graveside Service: 12 Noon on Monday, 26, 2017 at Little Vine Cemetery in Globe, Texas.

Bill Gentry was born on March 4, 1926 in Sumner, Texas, the oldest of 2 children born to the late Aaron Gentry and the late Ruby Coggin Gentry. He would attend school in Globe, Texas before joining the Merchant Marines, where he would learn trades of a machinist and cook.

On June 23, 1947, he would marry the late Jeanette Gentry, a young lady he had met at a local drug store in Paris at the soda fountain. After his military service, he would become an engineer, employed originally by Ratheon and later Chance Vought.

His employment would take him to Ventura County, California. Already passionate about fresh water fishing, living close to the ocean allowed him to become associated with deep sea fishing. He would never loose his enjoyment from both, even becoming a salesman of fishing gear until the decline of his health.

In 1992, he would lose Jeanette, his loving wife of forty-seven years. He would miss her deeply.

However, in 1993, he would find love again. He would meet and marry Martha Ann Martin. She would remain a faithful and loving companion to Bill for the next twenty-four years of his life.

In addition to his parents and first wife, Bill was preceded in death by sons, Richard "Rick" Gentry and Garry Gentry.

Survivors include his loving wife, Martha Gentry; adoring daughters, Jeannie Gentry, Donna Gentry and her spouse Jeffrey Threat; 7 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great grandchildren; his sister, Edith Gentry Taylor and loving daughter-in-law, Tommie Gentry.

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