



Blaine Miller

October 24, 1936 - October 17, 2023

***The family strongly suggests that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made in Blaine's memory to: Texas Baptist Men at <https://tbmtx.kindful.com/> or to Emmanuel Baptist Church Building Fund at 1717 N. Frances, Terrell, 7510 or at <https://www.ebcterrell.org/give>. ***

Blaine Miller, longtime and well-known resident of Terrell, passed away peacefully on October 17, 2023 at his home with family at his side.

Blaine was born October 24, 1936, in Pauls Valley, OK to Bob and Mozelle (Wilson) Miller. He was welcomed into Heaven by his Lord and Savior as well as his parents, and his brother, Herb Miller.

Blaine entered into the military service in June, 1956 while in Wichita Falls, TX. During his service to our country, he met a beautiful lady named Sallee Driskill and on April 21, 1958, he and Sallee were married. Their devotion to each other was always plain to see by all who met and knew them.

Blaine's military service spanned almost 4 decades, and he retired from the Army and Army National Guard with service credit in ROTC, US Army, Army Reserves, and the Army National Guard.

He and Sallee moved to Terrell, Texas in 1963 for Blaine's military assignment to the newly formed US Army Nike Missile base. Blaine's service, as a Cold War Veteran with the Nike Missile program was a highlight and defining part of his life and accomplishments. Blaine and Sallee formed lifelong Friendships. In Terrell, Blaine and Sallee raised their two children, Mark, and Sara, in a small town that mirrored the solid values and foundation of faith that were hallmarks of Blaine's character.

He began a 24-year career as a teacher with children and adolescents at Terrell State Hospital, a position that enabled Blaine to make a positive impact in so many young lives

until his retirement from TSH. Blaine completed his professional career with the American Red Cross in Terrell.

After retirement, Blaine continued to have a servant's heart for others volunteering at many community groups including Kaufman County Community Theatre for 18 years and, more recently, with E! Terrell. He also was a tireless volunteer with several disaster response organizations such as Kaufman County Office of Emergency Management, the American Red Cross and National Guard Assn. of Texas. With the Red Cross, he responded to 32 American Red Cross Disasters in Texas, Louisiana, Missouri, and Florida for a total of 385 days of assignments from 1994 to 2008.

Since 2011, he has served with the Texas Baptist men on both the Chain saw team and the Feeding Unit for 5 major assignments in Texas Alabama, and Louisiana.

Blaine was also a longtime and active member of Emmanuel Baptist Church. When at home, he and Sallee served at the church and his devotion to serving the Lord and others was always evident in the many ministries they helped with. A man who valued relationships with his loved ones and his friends. Blaine will be forever remembered and always loved.

Blaine leaves his memory to be cherished forever by his beloved wife of over 65 years, Sallee Miller; children: Mark Miller and wife, Robin, of Knoxville, TN and Sara Longmore of Grapevine, TX as well as other extended family members, many students, his church family, and a host of friends, each of whom will miss him greatly.

A private inurnment will take place at Central Texas State Veterans Cemetery in Killeen, TX at a later date and the family strongly suggests that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made in Blaine's memory to: Texas Baptist Men at <https://tbmtx.kindful.com/>

Or the Emmanuel Baptist Church

1717 North Frances, Terrell, Texas, 75160 also at <https://www.ebcterrell.org/give>.

Cemetery Details

Central Texas State Veterans Cemetery

11463 Fort Hood Street

Killeen, TX 76542

<https://vlb.texas.gov/cemeteries/locations/killeen/index.html>

Tribute Wall



“ *Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations created a Webcast in memory of Blaine Miller*



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - December 12, 2023 at 04:03 PM



“ *Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of Blaine Miller*



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - October 19, 2023 at 06:55 PM

DD

*Mark,
I'm so sorry to see this about your dad. Your family is in my thoughts.*

Dawn Nixon Derr

Dawn Nixin Derr - October 20, 2023 at 05:56 PM

CH

What a beautiful tribute to your dad.....such a patriot for his country. Prayers to you and your family my friend. Cindy Havens

Cindy Havens - October 23, 2023 at 03:37 PM

AW

“ *Sallee and Family - My thoughts and prayers go out to you. Blaine was such a fine man. I enjoyed working with him briefly at Terrell State Hospital and later as a volunteer with various community organizations. He always had a smile on his face and a kind word to share. Alison Walker*

Alison Walker - October 24, 2023 at 09:12 AM

CB

“ Sallee, Mark, and Sara, I just viewed his memorial video and it brought me to tears. It brought many childhood memories to mind. I remembered going with mom and dad to visit Uncle Bob , Aunt Mozelle, and Blaine and Herbie when my sister and I were little girls. Blaine had boxes of comic books and we kids would look at them for the entire visit. Since the boys were a little older than us, we felt privileged to be allowed to spend time with them and look and laugh at the comics. Another time, the family and others gathered around their small TV (one of the first) and adults and kids waited for the patterned screen to go away for a commentary to come on the gray, black & white screen. Believe it or not, it was exciting. I also remember the many vacations we took with them, especially our camping trips at the Wichita Mountains. I miss Blaine just knowing he is gone, however, he seemed to have enjoyed his life here on earth to the fullest, and has now reached the ultimate life with our glorious Lord. I think I am fortunate that he was my cousin. I feel sure he will always be missed by all who knew him. Love, and many hugs, Carol Jane

Carol Booth - October 23, 2023 at 01:26 AM

MM

“ I am so sorry about your loss of Blaine. Sallee, much love and prayers to you and your family.

Margaret Lovell Matura - October 21, 2023 at 07:34 PM

SH

“ Blaine Miller was a fine man. I worked with Blaine when I was with the Terrell ISD. Truly, he had the servant's heart always thinking how he could serve his fellow man. Rest In Peace, Blaine.

Shirley Heard - October 21, 2023 at 06:23 PM

ML

“ We knew Blaine from the state hospital but mainly from his work with Kaufman County Community Theater. He was unfailingly present, pleasant, talented, and eager for the group to succeed. His backstage work was offered willingly and without ego. His work is what made the group succeed. Personalities like his are rare.

Marty and Janet Lumpkin - October 21, 2023 at 04:11 PM

RS

“ Sallee, I was so sorry to hear of the passing of Blaine. He was such a great guy and will be missed. Prayers for you and your family in the coming days.



Ronnie Smith - October 20, 2023 at 10:05 PM

SC

“ Sallee, Mark, and Sara; I am so sorry to learn of Blaine's passing. He was a good man. He will always be in my heart.



Sharon Rush Collins - October 20, 2023 at 07:20 PM

SM

“ That was an amazing video. From the first time I met Blaine over 27 years ago I knew he had a servants heart. Almost everything he talked about had to do with serving others unless of course he was talking about getting together to play Mexican train! Whatever it was that Blaine was doing he put his whole heart into it. I'm truly going to miss my friend.

Sandy Mahaffey - October 19, 2023 at 11:51 PM

TH

“ Blaine was one of the great Men in our family. He always gathered up us kids at the family reunion and we would go explore. He educated us so much about nature and so many other things. He had a way of entertaining us but also teaching us at the same time. I have so many fun memories with him and I will cherish them and carry them with me always. Praying for my family and this huge loss. Such a kind and wonderful soul. Rest easy In heaven sweet man. You will forever be loved and missed. 🙏



Tassie Hodge - October 19, 2023 at 11:07 PM

BY

“ Bethany Yandell lit a candle in memory of Blaine Miller



Bethany Yandell - October 19, 2023 at 10:20 PM

BY

“ *Mr. Blaine will forever be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with Ms. Sallee and their family in their time of need.*

Mr. Blaine always had a smile on his face and a song in his heart. I remember as a kid he and Ms. Sallee helping with Emmanuel Baptist Church VBS program in the summer time. He always had a joke to tell to make anyone he could have a laugh or a smile. I love Mr. Blaine and will miss him more than words can describe. I know he is in that mansion in the sky. Fly high Mr. Blaine.

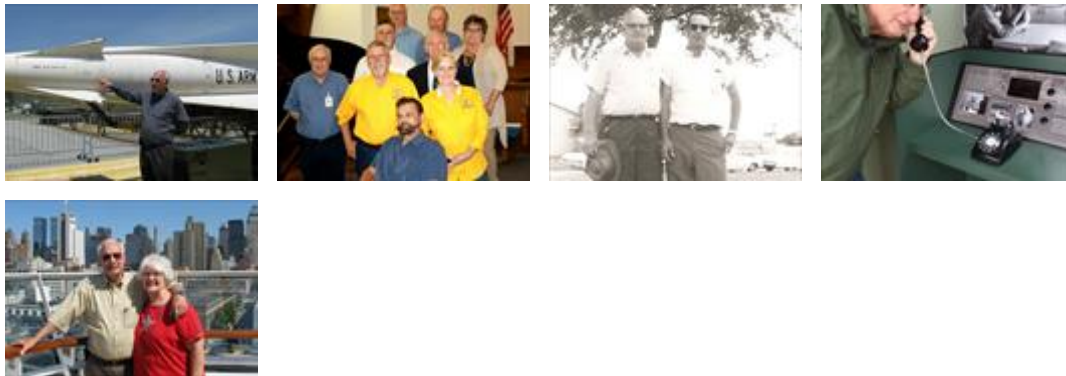
Until we meet again,

Bethany Yandell

Bethany Yandell - October 19, 2023 at 10:13 PM



“ *61 files added to the album Memories Album*



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - October 19, 2023 at 07:02 PM

VV

“ *So sorry to hear of Blaine's passing. It made me think of all the good times we had together when Blaine and Douglas were in the National Guard. I know your pain and hope your faith will help you and Mark and Sara and your families help you.*



The Virginia and Late Douglas family

Virginia Vick - October 19, 2023 at 06:59 PM

VV

Late Douglas Vick

Virginia Vick - October 19, 2023 at 07:01 PM

JB

“ *Janis Blair lit a candle in memory of Blaine Miller*



Janis Blair - October 19, 2023 at 06:01 PM

JY

“ *Blaine was fun loving and open hearted. He embraced in-laws and "out-laws" with open arms. He was always ready to lend a helping hand, share a story, or just laugh along with you. While his loss will leave a giant empty space in his family, special memories of him will quickly fill that space with joy. Love to all of you.*
Judy Yeager

Judy Yeager - October 19, 2023 at 05:12 PM

RS

“ *Sallee, Sara, Mark & family,
What a special man! Our loss is heaven's gain.
My thoughts and prayers are with each of you.*
Rita Scott

Rita Scott - October 19, 2023 at 04:25 PM

PB

“ *Phil & Debbie Bacon lit a candle in memory of Blaine Miller*



Phil & Debbie Bacon - October 19, 2023 at 03:54 PM

PB

“ *Phil, Debbie & Kerri Bacon lit a candle in memory of Blaine Miller*



Phil, Debbie & Kerri Bacon - October 19, 2023 at 03:52 PM

DT

“ *Donna Tapp lit a candle in memory of Blaine Miller*



donna tapp - October 19, 2023 at 03:21 PM