



Erman "Cowboy" Melton

September 15, 1928 - September 23, 2016

Erman "Cowboy" Melton passed away September 23, 2016 surrounded by his loving family and friends. Erman was born in Kaufman County, Tx September 15, 1928 to Henry Clay and Rosie Elizabeth (Collier) Melton. He was welcomed into Heaven yesterday by his parents, his brother, Edward Melton and his sisters, Lela Mae Mills and Bertha Thompson.

Born into an era when a person's character was measured by the way his word was kept, Erman had a lifetime reputation as a man who could be counted on in any situation to be the rock solid foundation for help and honesty. Not only was his word his bond, Erman's life and his integrity set the highest standard of trust with anyone and everyone who met him. He was an entrepreneur (although he would've only described himself as a hard worker) and he owned and operated his own mechanic business, Melton Garage in Terrell from 1958 to 1991 proving time after time by his steadfast work ethic that his trustworthiness was above reproach. To say he loved horses was an understatement and he enjoyed any activity where horses and the outdoors could be combined. His easygoing personality made an instant friend out of those who had just met him and lifetime friends out of others who prized his wisdom, insight and common-sense observations. He was a member of the Round 'em Up Cowboy Church where his love of horses and riding fit right in with this love for the Lord. His is a memory that will be treasured by all who had the privilege of knowing him and how his great impact on so many will continue to be felt for generations to come.

Erman leaves to cherish his legacy his wife, Florence Creed Melton; his devoted children: Nelda Martin and husband, Steve, Wendell Melton and Becky Donaldson and husband, Kevin; cherished grandchildren: Brady Melton, Deanna Donaldson, Angel Donaldson, Kevin Martin and Carol Hancock; treasured great grandchildren: Taylor Strange, Payton Strange, Rob Hancock, Casey Martin, Cassady Martin and Riley Martin as well as several extended family members and a host of friends who will all miss him and his friendship greatly.

Funeral Service will be held at 10:00am, Wednesday, September 28, 2016 at Max Slayton Funeral Chapel with interment to follow at Highland Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends from 6:00pm to 8:00pm, Tuesday, September 27, at Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations.

Cemetery Details

Highland Memorial Gardens

Hwy 34 North
Terrell, TX 75160

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 27. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

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Committal Service

SEP **28** (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Erman "Cowboy" Melton

October 08, 2023 at 07:43 PM



“ Nelda, I don't know if you remember me from school but I remember you and your Dad well, He was a great man as well as an amazing mechanic. Just wanted you to know I'm thinking about you as you adjust to your new normal. God bless you and your entire family.

Jerry Burr - October 28, 2016 at 10:18 PM



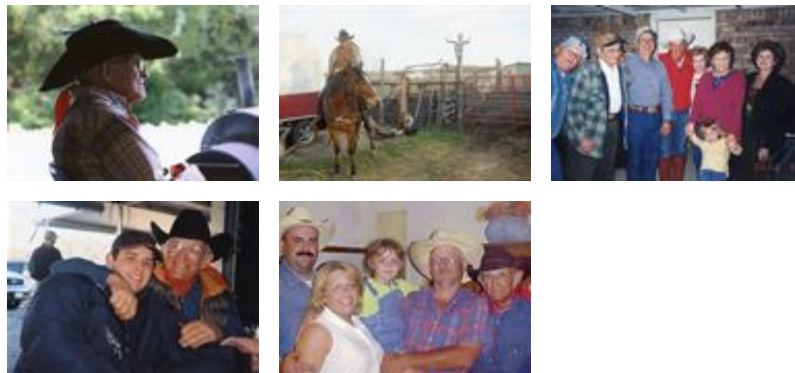
“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Erman "Cowboy" Melton.



September 27, 2016 at 05:42 PM



“ 139 files added to the album LifeTributes



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - September 27, 2016 at 10:51 AM

DB

“ *Diana Burwell purchased the Simply Elegant Spa thiphyllum for the family of Erman "Cowboy" Melton.*



Diana Burwell - September 26, 2016 at 12:15 PM



“ *Mr. Melton was the name I new him as he was a good man in my eyes ! I worked for him as a teenager at Meltons Garage he told me what to take apart that was my job ! Then he fixed it and put it back together. I'll never forget one time I was taking a transmission out I rolled under the car on the creeper he left to go get parts I took a few bolts out propped my feet up on the back tire and fell asleep then I woke up to the words " You about got that out " almost. He knew I had fell asleep we had some good laughs about that ! He was a hard worker and he would help anyone that's just the way he was. I think his favorite place to eat was Pops Chicken I saw him there all the time. He will be deeply missed probably by most of Terrell ! My prayers go out to his family for peace and comfort in Jesus name Amen.*



Glyn Flowers - September 26, 2016 at 10:35 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Erman "Cowboy" Melton.*



September 26, 2016 at 08:46 AM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Erman "Cowboy" Melton.*



September 25, 2016 at 09:13 PM



“ *This man was so sweet & will dearly be missed! His laugh and smile could always make anyone's day! I'll never forget how he always use to tell my momma the she was "the old woman that lives in a shoe had so many kids she didn't know what to do"!! Was a great family friend & I know he is dancing the streets of gold now bc he was a solid Christian man!*



Julia Culpepper - September 25, 2016 at 08:52 PM



“ *everyone of us at Pop's Chicken is going to miss him very much, I'll miss having lunch with him and of course that laugh*

Doug Keels - September 25, 2016 at 07:11 AM



“ *Jerry Shumate lit a candle in memory of Erman "Cowboy" Melton*



Jerry Shumate - September 24, 2016 at 05:55 PM

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“ *Velma Groves lit a candle in memory of Erman "Cowboy" Melton*



Velma Groves - September 24, 2016 at 04:46 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Erman "Cowboy" Melton.*



September 24, 2016 at 01:54 PM

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“ *we just loved this man. he was always so polite and funny. my prayers go out to the family. shonnie , zanette, tricia cotton*

shonnie paul - September 24, 2016 at 10:55 AM