



Jeff Sweazea Jr.

August 16, 1945 - July 31, 2022

Jeff Elbert Sweazea Jr. passed peacefully in his home on the evening of July 31, 2022, with his two daughters by his side. Born in Bowie, Texas on August 16, 1945, Jeff was the middle child of Jeff E. Sweazea and Lorene Bell (Darr) Sweazea. Jeff embraced life with a joyous sense of humor, and once when asked why he was laughing in a not so good situation, his reply was that it is always better to laugh than to cry. Jeff spent his early years growing up on the family dairy farm, and it was likely there that his love of animals first began. Jeff first attended school in Terrell, Texas and then in Duncan, Oklahoma where he graduated from Empire Highschool in 1963. During his school years, Jeff enjoyed playing in the school band and cowboying on the weekends on his favorite horse, Jody McQue, whom he fondly referred to as "Little Jo". In February of 1966, Jeff joined the Navy where he served almost 6 years during the Vietnam War. It was toward the end of his service that he met and then married the love of his life, Marjorie "Midge" Sweazea, on August 13, 1971. After his military service, Jeff's business was always electrical work in some realm, and his favorite position was with Forney International where he was able to utilize his military training working in power and nuclear power plants all over the world including Syria, the Bahamas, as well as many places scattered over the United States. In his later years, Jeff worked for Chambrel at Club Hill and then Terrell Senior Terraces where he was the Director of Maintenance at each property. Upon retirement, Jeff settled down on the "Sweazea Mini Farm" as he dubbed it, and enjoyed his time loving on the

many animals who share the farm, telling colorful stories about his life adventures online, listening to his favorite music, and rewatching all the John Wayne and Clint Eastwood westerns he could find. Jeff was preceded in death by his parents, J.E. and Lorene, his infant brother Harold Delbert, his wife of almost 40 years, Midge, his sister-in-law SanDee Sweazea, and his nephew Bart Sweazea. Left to celebrate his life are his brother Bill Sweazea, his daughter Jonnie Crumm and husband Jim, his daughter Britt Earnheart and husband Keith, his grandchildren John (J.C.), Dane, and Amelia, one great-granddaughter Melody, his niece Daphne Hill, and a host of other relatives and friends including his very special cousin, Kay. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you honor Jeff by making a donation to your local animal rescue or shelter or to the Veteran Charity of your choice.

Funeral services for Jeff Sweazea Jr. are scheduled for Wednesday, August 3, 2022 at 7 p.m. at Max Slayton Funeral Chapel. The family will receive friends and guest on Wednesday from 6 until service time.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 3. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Max Slayton Funeral Chapel
642 N. Rockwall Ave.
Terrell, TX 75160

Funeral Service

AUG 3. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Jeff Sweazea Jr.*

October 08, 2023 at 07:43 PM



“ *Sharon Rush Collins lit a candle in memory of Jeff Sweazea Jr.*



Sharon Rush Collins - August 05, 2022 at 05:12 PM



“ *Sorry to learn of Jeff's passing. Remember him well from school days. Sincerest condolences to the family.*

BUDDY REX SADLER - August 04, 2022 at 01:51 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jeff Sweazea Jr..*



August 03, 2022 at 10:39 AM

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“ I am so sorry to hear of Jeff's passing. I'll never forget that he was my square dance partner in first grade, my dress and his shirt were made by his precious mom who I remember well. So many years have passed since I've seen him, but I always thought highly of Jeff during our school years together. My sincere sympathy to all his family and friends. Linda Bodin Bankston

Linda Bankston - August 01, 2022 at 09:23 PM