

Hilton, Emory Don



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Emory Don Hilton

Emory Don Hilton, 99, passed away peacefully Thursday, Sept. 16, 2021, to go live with his Heavenly Father.

Funeral is 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2021, at Hawkins Funeral Home in Decatur with burial at Oaklawn Cemetery in Decatur. Family will receive friends one hour before the service at the funeral home.

Emory was born Oct. 11, 1921, to Joseph 'Joe' and Bertha (Stevenson) Hilton in Decatur. He was united in marriage July 18, 1953, to Guinneth Thompson in Decatur. Emory was a quiet, humble man who always made sure his family was taken care of. He was a loving husband to his wife Guinneth for more than 68 years and a wonderful dad and granddad. He was a true gentleman with a quick wit and helped others whenever he could with his many handyman skills. He was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, uncle and friend to many who will miss him dearly.

Emory grew up in Oak Grove Methodist Church in Decatur and later was a longtime member of Westcliff United Methodist Church in Fort Worth and more recently a

member of Arborlawn United Methodist Church in Fort Worth. He served his church well his whole life until he was no longer able.

Emory grew up in Decatur working on the family farm and then had a 37-year career with the Soil Conservation Service. Tending the yard and many flowers always brought him great pleasure. Many people were blessed by his nearly 100 years of life.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Joe and Bertha Hilton; his sister Alta Mae and husband, O.L. Cook; his brother, Henry Hilton and wife Gwendolyn.

Those left behind to cherish his memory are his wife, Guinneth Hilton; his daughters, Judy Grelson and husband, Greg and Nancy Brickey and husband, David; his granddaughter, Melanie Grelson Sherry and husband, Brian; one niece and three nephews.

If desired, in lieu of flowers, a memorial may be made to Arborlawn United Methodist Church, 5001 Briarhaven Road Fort Worth, Texas 76109 or a charity of your choice.