



Dial, Edwin Len

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Edwin Len Dial, 75, was born in Atlanta to Victor and Marie Dial on July 17, 1947, and went to be with our Lord on June 24, 2023.

Memorial service will be 10 a.m. Saturday, July 1 at Hilltop Assembly of God in Boyd.

He attended high school at MacArthur in Irving. He was drafted into the U.S. Army, where he served proudly for 8.5 years, spending a majority of that time stationed in Germany.

He married the love of his life, Dene, on June 8, 1983. They were married for 40 years and shared a blended family of four boys, with his two sons, Eddie Herring and Christopher Dial, and Dene's two sons, Trae Luttrell and Matt Luttrell. He loved her two boys just like his own and never referred to them as stepsons — they were HIS boys.

He pursued several careers in his lifetime. He was a car salesman, repo man and welder, also trading horses as a sideline. He met many of his lifelong friends as a car salesman, and had many hairy stories as a repo man. He did offshore welding, which led to his last career as the owner of Hometown Welding, where all four of his boys learned their welding skills from him. His hobby was going camping nearly every weekend with friends and family. He loved meeting new people and never met a stranger.

To say he loved his grandchildren would be an understatement. They were his pride and joy, his life and his world. He really loved all little kids and would always try to interact with them.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and grandparents.

He is survived by his wife, Dene Dial of Decatur; his sons Eddie Herring and wife, Angela, of Briar, Christopher Dial and wife, Billie Jo, of Briar, Trae Luttrell and wife, Wendi, of Boyd and Matthew Luttrell and wife, Alisha, of Boyd; his sister, Joy Waters and husband, Kenneth, and their sons, Jason and Kody Waters of Atlanta; nine grandchildren, Coy Herring, Lexi Herring, Justin Harris, Bailee Luttrell, Baylie Michelle Harris, Marti Luttrell, Emylie Luttrell, Cope Luttrell and Rendyn Reed; two great-grandchildren, with one on the way; a host of nieces and nephews; extended family on his wife's side; and numerous friends.