



**Aaron, Ray, Jr.**

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Ray Aaron Jr., 72, went home to be with our Lord Wednesday, Dec. 20, 2023. Funeral was Dec. 28, 2023 at New Hope Fellowship Church with burial at Oaklawn Cemetery.

The service was officiated by pastors Jack Sandford and Jeff Bakker.

Pallbearers included Chad Fulfer, B.J. Rhodes, Jay Hanson, Lane Romsa, Blare Romsa, and Micah Allen. Danny Taylor, Ronald Sanderson, Brice Jackson, Todd Page, Kip Hardin, Joe Howard, John Wilson, Will Gage and Rex Hoskins were honorary pallbearers.

Ray was born Feb. 18, 1951, to Ray and Imogene (Cagle) Aaron in Fort Worth. He was united in marriage to the love of his life, Melinda Aaron, in March 1986.

Ray has worn many hats in his life. He was a business owner, sheriff and entrepreneur, but his favorite role was a wagon driver for Cheyenne Frontier Days in Wyoming. Ray drove for 18 years and made many friends over the years.

Ray was a kindhearted and gentle man. Sometimes he was quiet, but when he spoke, he always had everyone laughing. Ray always had a story to tell. His stories will be greatly missed. To know Ray was to love him.

Ray had a love for wagons, his horses and his dog.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his son, Rusty Aaron.

Those left behind to cherish his memory are his wife, Melinda Aaron of Decatur; daughters, Robin Meadows, Stacie Witt, and Randi Silar; six grandchildren; one great-grandson; his sisters, Darlene Mitchell and Belinda Aaron; his brother, Dennis Aaron; extended family and a host of friends.

The family requests donations be made to our sweet little friend and neighbor, 8-year-old Kennedy Plaunty, who is battling cancer. Donations can be sent to: Megan Plaunty, 235 Private Road 2751, Decatur, Texas 76234

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