



Richards, James A.

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Decatur ~ James A. Richards, 83, went to be with our Lord Friday, Dec. 15, 2023.

Jim was born Oct. 11, 1940, to Carl Allen and Ruby Richards (Hixon) in San Antonio, Texas. He was united in marriage Aug. 31, 1963, to Barbara Jean in Tulia. Jim was a retired rancher after many years as a dairyman. He proudly served our country in the United States Army. Jim was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, uncle, cousin and friend to many who will dearly miss him.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Carl and Ruby Richards; his adoptive parents, James and Ethel Cox; and his brother, Tommy Richards. Those left behind to cherish his memory are his wife of over 60 years, Jean Richards of Decatur; his son, Jason Richards and wife, Dianne, of Decatur; daughters, Jennifer Griffeth and husband, Monty, of Aransas Pass, and Jamie Cowdrey and husband, Cary, of Decatur; five grandchildren, Collin and wife, Marlee, Graham, Caraline, Hannah and husband, Nick, and Parker; five great-

grandchildren, Braxton, Emily, Evelyn, Eliza, and Finleigh; several nieces, nephews and cousins; extended family members and a host of friends. A graveside service will be scheduled at a later date.

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