



Turlington, William 'Willie' Lynn

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Funeral services for William "Willie" Lynn Turlington, 65, of Jefferson will be held on Wednesday, March 13, 2024, at 2 p.m. in the Faith Tabernacle Pentecostal Church in Jefferson with Rev. James Duncan, Rev. Richard Cook and Rev. Kerry Green officiating under the direction of Haggard Funeral Home. Interment will follow at Oakwood Cemetery in Jefferson. A time of visitation will be held on Tuesday evening March 12, 2024, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Cpt. Wm. Perry Chapel of Haggard Funeral Home.

Willie was born in Henrietta to William David Turlington and Grace Marie Laster Turlington on September 17, 1958, and passed away Saturday, March 9, 2024, in Longview.

Willie was a member of Hickory Hill Baptist Church in Avinger and formally an active member of the Jefferson Lions Club. For many years he drove the

train for the Jefferson Railway and even played a role in the Diamond Bessie Play.

He is preceded in death by his father; brothers, Jimmy Turlington, Joe Turlington and John Turlington.

Mr. Turlington leaves behind his devoted wife, Betty Golden; mothers, Grace Turlington and Vera Humphrey; siblings, Raymond Turlington, Troy Turlington, Patricia Payne; sisters-in-law, Elwanda Riddick and Pam Turlington; children, Amy Johnson and husband Keith, Will Turlington and wife Rachel, Tony Kirk, Kristi Kirk, Michelle Carpenter and husband James, and Rebecca Golden; grandchildren, Everleigh, Emersyn, Nicholas, Collins, Kylie and husband Derek, James Ryan, Cory and wife Skyler, Truitt, Caitlynn, and Michaela. He is also survived by six great-grandchildren, numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Those serving as pallbearers will be Kris Koehn, Bubba Laster, Phillip Laster, David Fouche, Bryan Bass and Mike Mowery. Serving as honorary pallbearers will be James Novey and Tony Jones.

Memorial donations may be made to the Faith Tabernacle Church, 1008 N Alley St, Jefferson, TX 75657.

I loved you more than the hard times, through the diagnosis, the treatments and hospitalizations. Love doesn't mean you will never disagree, it means that you will work through the hard times, the troubles and always give the best of yourself. Willie knew that no matter what we were up against, we would do it together. With him life was never boring. If Willie could give one last piece of advice he would say love God, love people and do something amazing and worthwhile with your life.