Weldon "W.D." Nelson
September 18, 1946 - October 6, 2005

Weldon Doyle (W.D.) Nelson, 59, died Oct. 6, 2005, at this home in Winnsboro, Texas. He was born Sept. 18, 1946, in McKinney, Texas, to Paul Taylor Nelson and Gladys (Copus) Nelson. A graduate of Allen High School, he attended Sam Houston State University before serving with the U.S. Army in Berlin, Germany for two years during the Vietnam War. He married Jenna L. Bell on May 3, 1969, in Dallas. His telecommunications career with Collins Radio, Rockwell International, and Alcatel, all in Richardson, spanned more than 25 years. In retirement he enjoyed his ranch in Winnsboro, where he raised Beefmaster cattle. He is survived by his wife of 36 years and son Clint Douglas Nelson of Allen, daughter Allison Nicole Nelson, of Winnsboro, brother, Alford L. Nelson of Fairview, sister and brother-in-law Bonnie N. and J.D. Preslar of Robstown, sister-in-law Betty Nelson and niece Brenda Nelson of San Antonio, brother-in-law and wife, Eugene G. and Tajuana Roberts of Lucas, and nephew Brady E. Roberts of Bombay, India. He is preceded in death by his parents, two brothers Paul D. Nelson and Douglas W. Nelson, sister Barbara N. Roberts and sister-in-law Winona W. Nelson. Funeral services will be held 4:00 p.m., Monday, October 10 in the Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Chapel. Interment will follow at Allen Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Sunday at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral home. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, National Kidney Foundation, or Tinney Chapel United Methodist Church of Winnsboro. Pallbearers are Wendell Holder, William Coursey, Mark Spurgin, Ronald Reed, Robert Saylor, and Perry Waller.

Memorials

Jenna, Clint and Allison, Joe and I were so sad to read of W.D.'s passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this difficult time.

JOE & JUDY FARMER, OCTOBER 13, 2005
W.D. will always remain as an inspiration to all during the hardships and trials of life. It was a pleasure to work with him at Rockwell International and have kept up on his life through his good friend Wendell Holder. My sincere condolences to his family and friends.

JOHN SCHWEGER, OCTOBER 11, 2005

Jenna, I was so sorry to hear about W.D. earlier today. I pray for strength for you and your family at this very difficult time. Many of your classmates will be thinking about you this Reunion weekend and wishing we could comfort you in person. Please take care of yourself. I hope to see you soon.

MARGARET STEENSON FILINGERI, OCTOBER 8, 2005