



W.G. "Jerry" Bedell

May 9, 1934 - September 4, 2021

Walter Gerald Bedell of Allen, Texas passed away on September 4, 2021 at the age of 87. He was born on May 9, 1934 to Floyd Edgar Bedell and Irene (Haggard) Bedell in Lewisville, Texas. Walter grew up in Lewisville and played all sports in high school as a Lewisville Farmer at Lewisville High School where he graduated from. After high school, Walter joined the Navy and proudly served his country in the Korean War and crewed the Salem in the Navy. Soon after getting out of the Navy, Walter met his wife of over 60 years, Bonnie Sue Johnson. After getting married, Walter and Bonnie moved to Collin County and moved into the same house they live in today. They started their family in 1959. All of Walter's life, he has been a farmer and a rancher. He raised cattle and farmed wheat, oats, and milo. When able, Walter enjoyed hunting and fishing but more than anything he loved spending time with his family. That included coaching his son's baseball teams. He was a strong and proud supporter and mentor of the AG program in Allen, Texas. Walter could always be found smiling and people enjoyed being around him.

Walter is survived by his wife, Bonnie Sue Bedell of Allen, Texas; sons, Timmy Ran Bedell and wife, Jennenne of Sadler, Texas, Sandy Lynn Bedell and wife, Sonia of Lucas, Texas, and Scott Lee Bedell and wife, Andrea of Gainesville, Texas and his daughter, Wendy Gayle Pennington and husband, Bart of Anna, Texas; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and his sister, Carolyn Jernigan.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Floyd and Irene Bedell and his brother, F.E. Bedell.

A private family only graveside service will be held at Ridgeview Memorial Park, 2525 Central Expressway North, Allen, Texas 75013.

Family and friends are invited to Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home at their convenience on Thursday, September 9, 2021 to pay their respects and to sign the register book.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made in honor of Walter to Alzheimer's Association, <https://www.alz.org/>

Memorials

Our deepest sympathies on the passing of Jerry. You and he were so close and your love for each other was always present and deep. It is rare these days to get to meet a person of such character and honesty and wit. It is even rarer to get to know personally and become the friend of such a person. Thank you and your family for letting me and my family to be apart of your lives. Jerry gave me some great memories I will always treasure. The greatness of a person is often measured by the impact that person has on the lives of others. Jerry was a great man and impacted so many lives. I have never heard a single person ever speak badly of Jerry or anyone in his family. He was known and will always be remembered as a man of great character, compassion and quiet strength. He always put his family members' needs before his own, often to his own detriment. Although a quiet man, he said a lot when he spoke. He was strong beyond belief, always taking care of others before himself. The twinkle in his eye, his joyful smile, and his sense of humor were as much a part him as his toughness and shrewd business sense. He saw the big picture and at the same time never missed the details. He is greatly missed by everyone.

HELM FAMILY, OCTOBER 4, 2021

I am so sad to hear this news! Mr. Bedell was was always outside doing something when we would drive by. He raised a great family, which says so much about him. Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Bedell and Sandy and his family. Sincerely, Erica and John Carver

ERICA AND JOHN CARVER, SEPTEMBER 13, 2021

Joe and I were sorry to read of Jerry's passing. He was always so kind and friendly and we always valued the friendship of him, you Bonnie and the kids. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Bonnie and the family.

JOE & JUDY FARMER, SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

Always enjoyed visits and views Jerry had. Great guy that will surely be

missed. Heaven just received a good one!

BEN SCHOLZ, SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

Sandy and Sonia and Family, we are sorry to learn of your loss of your father. He must have been an amazing person because our family has been blessed by knowing your family and becoming good friends. We know the "apples don't fall far from the tree" and your dad surely was a great, solid tree of a man to have raised such amazing children. We send our sincere condolences at this difficult time and will keep your family in prayer.

TAYLOR & VAL TURNBOW AND BOYS, SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

So sorry to learn of Jerry's passing. He and I were the same age and enjoyed a friendship for all those years. I just do not remember when I first became acquainted with he and his family but was a lifetime of joy, fun, respect and happiness. My love to Bonnie and the family. I shall always cherish my good memories as I know you will.

EVELETA (PETE) FEAGINS, SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

Our thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of sorrow. He was a wonderful person and will be greatly missed by family and friends.

LORNA AND HAYDEN KARR, SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

So sorry to hear about Buzz. I was proud to be his friend and neighbor and "chief" gate operator during cow day. What a great man that I will always remember and smile when I recall the times at the shack as he made us all feel that we were an extension of his family. Godspeed my friend.

JOE CELANIA , SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

Sending love and prayers to this family during this time of grief. Jerry was the sweetest soul and we will never forget that million dollar smile.

SHAWNA KELLY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2021

We are eternally grateful for his support and love shown to our son, Jordan. He sponsored him with his first cow — Loraina - in the AG program. He taught Jordan about farming, love of animals, plowing and life as Jordan worked at his farm. Jordan loved him like his own grandfather and made a huge impact on his life. Bonnie made many meals for him too. His humble, gentle goodness

will be missed.

DARRELL AND BRENDA FARMER, SEPTEMBER 8, 2021

We are deeply saddened by your loss. He was a very nice and kind man. He will be missed. Our prayers go out to the family. Ebarb and Schmittou Family

GLORIA AND JJ EBARB, SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

Dearest Bonnie and kids, I am so sorry ! I won't be able to come but please know that I will be with you in thoughts and prayers. I love you all, Bobbi

BOBBI BEDELL, SEPTEMBER 6, 2021

Bedell family, You dad was an awesome man always ready with a smile and a laugh. He and Mrs. Bedell raised a great family that have been true friends to many Collin County people and beyond. I am thankful I knew him. God bless y'all

DAVID DEAN, SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

Bonnie and Jerry have been my extended family and have been my support through many years. Jerry and my dad drove to work together when he was just a young man; Bonnie and I had so much fun in our high school classes...so many great memories of this entire family for many years. Jerry was not just an ordinary person; someone who was fair, honest, a good husband,, dad, grandad...a mentor in every respect. He even had respect for his cattle. I will miss him.. God Bless the family and minister to their needs at this time.

SONNY (WALTER)JERNIGAN, SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

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