



Joseph Beke

February 16, 2023

Joseph G. (Skip) Beke of Hempstead, Texas, went to be with the Lord and his savior Jesus Christ on February 16, 2023.

Skip was born in Chicago, IL to Joseph and Sophie Beke in 1943. When he was three years old, his family moved to Spring, TX where they purchased a farm. Skip and his family worked very hard in the fields to produce vegetables to take to market. Skip often reminisced about life on the farm and although times were difficult, he and his brothers and sisters managed to have fun times; like jumping off the barn roof or trips to the creek to swim. Skip also loved livestock and showed his heifers at many shows, including the Houston Livestock Show. Skip attended Spring High School (Class of 1960) and later graduated from Texas A & M in 1967 with a degree in agronomy.

He married the love of his life, Sharon Mueller, on July 22nd, 1967. They were blessed with two children, Brian and Heather.

During his career, Skip taught biology and chemistry at Tomball High School. While he loved teaching, his dream was always to start his own construction company. He specialized in heavy dirt moving but mainly building golf courses around the Houston area, including Augusta Pines, April Sound, Bear Creek and several courses in The Woodlands. He worked diligently to make Beke Construction Inc., a successful business for 40 years. In 2009, he retired because he was struggling with Parkinson's disease, that lasted 30 years. Skip had a great love for nature and the outdoors. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. He especially enjoyed white tailed deer hunting with his son Brian, and brother, Gabe. Family meant so much to Skip. His grandchildren, (Cayden, Lane, Joseph, Madison and Jennifer) were his pride and joy. He is survived by his brothers and sisters, Gabe Beke, James Beke, Judy Mantooh, Sophie Varali, and Carol Thomas. Skip was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph and Sophie Beke, his sister Kathy Summers, his son, Brian, and son-in-law Mel.

The Addison family and staff of Magnolia Funeral Home extend condolences to Joseph's

family and friends during this difficult time.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB **22**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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Ron White - February 22, 2023 at 01:34 PM

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“ Skippy, I always felt you were the older brother I didn't have and felt safe when you looked out for me because all us cousins needed your guidance. Seeing the people in your life that considered you a special person was your blessing to them. You taught the good lessons in life, and we will miss you but know you are up in heaven plowing a field for GOD now. You will always be in our hearts and thoughts.

Nancy Van Wagner - February 21, 2023 at 11:23 PM

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“ Jay & Laura Vest, and Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Joseph Beke.



Jay & Laura Vest, and Family - February 21, 2023 at 09:41 AM

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“ Sincere condolences to your family. I am so very sorry for your loss. May God provide the necessary peace and comfort to your family and friends during this difficult time. Please remember these words of encouragement from the Bible: “ Jesus plainly told her: “I am the resurrection and the life. He that exercises faith in me, even though he dies, will come to life.” —John 11:20-25.

The Bell Family

The Bell Family - February 20, 2023 at 11:51 AM

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“ *Judy Bowling purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Joseph Beke.* ”



Judy Bowling - February 18, 2023 at 11:02 AM