



## Ted Ray Ratcliffe

June 10, 1940 - March 30, 2021

Ted Ratcliffe passed away from this life into a new life eternally on March 30, 2021. Ted was born in Loving, Texas, June 10, 1940, to Ray and Gladys (Laquey) Ratcliffe. Ted was a loving husband, devoted father, and exceptional grandfather and uncle. Ted spent most of his boyhood in Graham, Texas, where he graduated from the high school. Ted accepted Jesus as his Lord and Savior at the age of 9 at Oak Street Baptist Church in Graham. In high school he was a gifted football player which gained him a full-ride scholarship to Texas Tech. While at Tech, he met his "little girl", Carolyn Abel. They were married on April 3, 1959 resulting in 62 years of marriage.

Ted's life work was real estate, home building, and ranching. His work for the Kingdom of God included teaching Sunday school, serving as a deacon at Highland, and working at his beloved Baby Closet.

Ted is survived by his wife, sons Andrew, Matthew (Terri), and Timothy; his grandchildren, Ashley, Chandlor (Hailee), Benjamin, and Donathan (Emily), his nephew Lucas (Amberlee), brother, Wayne (Dorothy), and sister-in-law, Susan (Hoyt).

He is preceded in death by his parents, daughter, Amanda, twin grandsons, Derrick and Dillan, sisters Helen and Martha, and brothers, Jim and Richard. Services will be held April 10 at 10:00 AM at Highland Baptist Church, 4215 34th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79410. Visitation with the family will follow in the Connection Center, face coverings requested.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations should be made to the Baby Closet at

Highland.

# Cemetery Details

## Resthaven Memorial Park

5740 West 19th Street  
Lubbock, TX 79416

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

APR 5. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

LF

“ Love, Shirley & Charlie Ratcliffe and family purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Ted Ray Ratcliffe.



Love, Shirley & Charlie Ratcliffe and family - April 09, 2021 at 04:42 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ted Ray Ratcliffe.



April 05, 2021 at 08:43 PM

DF

“ Dan Hatch Family purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Ted Ray Ratcliffe.



Dan Hatch Family - April 01, 2021 at 04:35 PM

AF

“ *Dearest Carolyn and Family,  
So sorry for your loss. I know that words cannot fill the emptiness created by his passing but God's love can carry us through the many tough days ahead as I have experienced in the past few months and as you have experienced so many times. I admired and respected Ted so much. He was always so loving and supportive of me and my family. Love you all.*  
*Alan Fruge*

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**Alan W Fruge** - April 01, 2021 at 11:58 AM

CM

“ Carolyn and Family,

*What a beautiful tribute to Ted. The words are so accurate in describing this beloved man. However, missing is the countless ways he was a true friend. He was so giving with his self to numerous ones. I am a truly blessed that I was his friend.*

*Ted was caring, thoughtful and honest in his love and concern of others. I am forever grateful Ted was my friend. Ted was generous to include my daughter to his big heart and then he added my grandchildren. Oh how they loved Ted.*

*Thank you for sharing your husband, father and grandfather with my family. Our friendship will always be a treasured time and forever in our memories.*

*May your family enjoy a time of remembrance, as you process through this time of loss.*

*I know we are thinking about all the fun movie nights, the meals we shared, and countless meetings and doings!! It was always lots of fun with Ted!*

*Praying for you and loving you,  
Cindy McNeely*

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**Cindy McNeely** - April 01, 2021 at 02:24 AM

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*Ted was a wonderful friend in Graham. I am so happy that he had such a wonderful life and family to enjoy. I'm sure he was the life of every party with his sweet kind heart ❤️❤️*

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**nancy hays** - April 01, 2021 at 08:58 AM