

## DON AUSTIN, SR.

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Don Austin, Sr., 71, of Bridgeport, died September 4, 2006. He was born June 20, 1935 in Springtown.

Mr. Austin was retired Gunners Mate in the U.S. Navy. He married LaRae Hall on July 9, 1989 in Bridgeport. He was a member of the Family Worship Center. He was preceded in death by his father, Fred Austin; brother, Woody Austin; and a grandson, Don Austin, III.

Survivors include his wife LaRae Austin of Bridgeport; son, Don E. Austin, Jr. and wife Sandra of Chico; step-sons, Jeff Struthers and Cliff Coan; daughter, Eva Dee Lorenz of Rio Linda, California; step-daughters, Lera Calhoun and husband Dean of Katy and Kay Weaver and husband Johnny of Katy; mother, Sue Smith; brother, Ted Austin; sisters, Mary Ann Austin and Evelyn Austin; sixteen grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral service was September 7 at Hawkins Funeral Chapel with Rev. James Arrington and Pastor Joey Vick officiating. Interment was at the DFW National Cemetery in Dallas. Pallbearers were Johnny Triplett, Taylor Calhoun, Coy Tackett, Doug Hughes, Stephen Calhoun and Sidney Fallin. Honorary pallbearer was Jeff Struthers.

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