



Harold "Possum" D. Murphy

August 29, 1951 - March 4, 2021

Harold D. Murphy, Jr., born August 29, 1951 in Artesia, New Mexico to parents Harold and Ruth (Pergeson) Murphy, passed away in Carlton, Texas on March 4, 2021 at age 69.

Harold, better known as "Possum", was the owner and operator of the family business, Murphy's Wrecker Service, for over 30 years. Possum served his community as a volunteer Fire Chief for more than 25 years, and was also a volunteer EMS driver in the 90's. Helping others and saving lives were the greatest accomplishments of his career. Possum lived in the Carlton community where he attended grade school as a child, then went on to attend and graduate from Hico High School. In his spare time, Possum enjoyed horses and his cattle. As a devoted family man, Possum always spared the best of his time for his grandkids and great grandkids.

Preceding Possum in death were his parents, his daughter Kristi Murphy, and his sister Mary Martha.

Possum is survived by his beloved wife of 50 years, Nelda, and by his daughter, Kim and her husband Scott.

Also surviving are his granddaughters: Amanda and husband Kirk, Alicia and husband Derek, and Samantha; along with his great-grandchildren: Aiden, Emma, Daniel, Tessa, Hailea, and Ryleigh.

Surviving siblings include Caroline, Jack and wife Mary, Billy and wife Loretta, Janelle, Mae, and Nita.

A host of nieces and nephews also survive.

Graveside services, 3pm, Sunday, March 7, 2021 at Murphy Cemetery, Carlton, Texas with Pastor James Clifton officiating.

Cemetery Details

Murphy Cemetery

CR 499
Hico , TX 76457

Previous Events

Graveside Services

MAR 7. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Harvest Hill Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Harold "Possum" D. Murphy



Harvest Hills Funeral Home - March 05, 2021 at 03:03 PM

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My condolences to his wife and all the family my thoughts and prayers go out to all of you, God Bless

Tanya Bullard - March 06, 2021 at 08:26 PM

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my heart goes out to them

kambree - April 28, 2022 at 10:54 AM

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“ *I have many good memories with my great grandpa, and I really miss him.*

Aiden Naul - November 04, 2025 at 03:41 PM

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“ *he was a sweet man*



kambree - April 28, 2022 at 10:55 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Harold "Possum" D. Murphy.*



March 06, 2021 at 08:19 AM



“ *Possum was a fine man. He loved his family and helped many people over the years . He was my friend for 27 years . He knew Jesus as his savior. He will always be remembered and never forgotten . Rest in perfect peace . Jim Clifton .*

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