



Calvin Mills "Buddy" Sloan

February 12, 1950 - December 24, 2020

On February 12, 1950 in Huntsville, TX; Calvin Mills "Buddy" Sloan was welcomed into this world by his parents; O'Neal and Rella (Whitley) Sloan and his two older sisters. Buddy passed away on December 24, 2020 in Bryan, TX. Buddy's life will be celebrated on Friday; February 12, 2021 (his birthday) at 1:30PM at The Truman Kimbro Center in Madisonville, TX.

Buddy grew up in Midway, TX surrounded by a large family and also around people who helped shape his life. As a young student at school in Midway, TX, there were several teachers who had a major impact on Buddy's life - Mrs. Elma Wakefield, Mrs. Lucille Bates and Mr. Robert Withers to name just a few. When the school in Midway consolidated with the school in Madisonville, Buddy excelled in the sports he loved, with football and basketball being the two sports he gave his best. Often times people could hear him tell younger boys, "when you hit that man across the line from you – give it all you've got, but then reach down and give him your hand to help him up."

As with a lot of young men in the 60's and 70's, Uncle Sam came calling. While in The United States Army, Buddy spent time in Germany but ultimately ended up in the jungles of Vietnam as a helicopter mechanic. He was honorably discharged with The National Defense Service Medal and the Army Sharpshooter Marksmanship Badge, and upon his discharge from The United States Army, he returned to his hometown and that led to his adventures in the oilfield. Buddy was mentored by some of the best, and as he aged, he did the same. There are many men in the various fields of the oilfield who got their start under Buddy's watchful eye. That group of big and burly men cared, they shared, and they always remembered where they got their first opportunity.

There was nothing Buddy loved more than his children and grandchildren; however, fishing and hunting were really close. Strong friendships were developed and nurtured during the many nights hunting with his favorite dog. When he could no longer hunt, you could find him on the Trinity River or even at Lake Madison fishing.

Family was always special to Buddy. He was preceded in death by his parents and grandparents and leaves behind sisters, Barbara Wolfe and her husband Joe of Belton, TX and Linda DeBorde and her husband Mutt of Deer Park, TX. Buddy was so proud of his nieces and nephews, Lisa, Debbie, John, Co, and Joseph and their accomplishments.

Buddy is survived by his son, Josh O'Neal Sloan and his wife Tracy of San Antonio, TX; by his daughter, Melissa Sloan of Austin, TX; and by his grandchildren, O'Neal, Brody, and Asa of Houston, TX, Tyler of Brenham, TX, C. J. and Laura of Austin, TX, MacKenzie, Paul and Lane of San Antonio, TX, and Kyle who is stationed with The United States Army.

Buddy is also survived by the mother of his children, Mary Jack Sloan, and her children, which he loved as his own; Leah Wilson and her husband Clint and their children, Cody and Keegan and Leslie Villere and her husband Denis and their children, Dalton, Connor and Claire. Buddy is also survived by his long-time companion, Kathy Haymon and her children, Sterling Haymon and Daniel Haymon.

Buddy's family would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge St. Joseph Hospital; the doctors, nurses, and staff; for the care and compassion they had for Buddy and his family. Day Funeral Home in Madisonville, TX assisted with the arrangements.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB 12. 1:30 PM (CT)

Truman Kimbro Center
Madisonville, TX 77864

Tribute Wall

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“ *Our Uncle Buddy was the uncle every kid wanted to have growing up, and I think that is because he was a big kid himself. My sister and I were around him quite a bit when we were young and he was so funny and he loved to play jokes. Although it has been 50 years I still remember when he went to Vietnam and the care packages Mom would put together for him. I even did a drawing of him and made sure she packed it with the chili she would send. I was too young to really understand but I take great pride in knowing my uncle served our country. His stories were the best and he could certainly tell a tale. He will be greatly missed but we will always have those fun memories. Love you Uncle Buddy...*



Lisa Dumlao - January 19, 2021 at 07:21 PM

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Happy Birthday! You are always with ME!

Katherine Hayman - February 12, 2021 at 06:45 PM