



Willis H. Stuart

April 30, 1931 - November 22, 2022

Willis H. Stuart, a man of many talents and interests, passed away on November 22, 2022, at Unity Health-White County Medical Center in Searcy AR, after becoming ill at home. A visitation at Powell Funeral Home on W Beebe Capps Expy in Searcy will be from 6:00-8:00pm on Saturday, November 26th. Graveside services, with Military Honors, will be on Monday, November 28th. at Hillcrest Memorial Park in Texarkana, Texas. Honorary pallbearers are, Butch Alumbaugh, Gerald Harlan, Kevin Kelley, John Parrish, Richard Bullock, Gary Stubblefield, and Thor Wilson. Willis was born in Texarkana, Texas on April 30, 1931, to H.O. Stuart and Ava Lee Willis Stuart. He graduated from Texarkana High School and attended Texarkana Jr. College, when he was two weeks away from graduation from college, duty called and he proudly and honorably served his country by joining the United States Marine Corp, he was sent to Korea and achieved the rank of Sargent in the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing. He finished his service to his country as a member of the US Marine Corp Reserves. He was always very proud to be a Marine, once a Marine always a Marine. After returning to the States, he married his sweetheart Nell S. Scoggins from Fouke, AR on January 29, 1955, and went to work for Southwestern Transportation Co. In working his way up in the company, he and his growing family moved over the years to Waco, TX, Greenville ,TX, Paragould, AR, West Memphis, AR, Sulphur Springs, TX, and Pine Bluff, AR where he retired as Terminal Manager. He and Nell moved to Searcy in 2005. They easily made many great friends in all

the cities they lived in over the years. Growing up and riding motorcycles, he enjoyed several trips riding with good friends on motorcycle trips across many of the states in North America and or riding with his wife or one of his daughters on trips between Texas and Arkansas. He was an avid photographer, having his own dark room and filmed High School football games for several East Texas area high schools in the 60's to the 80's. He was a very accomplished painter having studied and had showings with other artist in New Mexico and Texas over the years. He was an award-winning carver with many of his carvings of birds and ducks winning awards through the years, he would also carve and design necklaces, earrings, and name badge attachments for many different organizations. He also helped several beginning carvers with advice, training, and carving wood. Willis was a lifelong member of the Church of Christ. He is survived by his wife of almost 67 years, Nell Stuart of Searcy, daughter Lee Ann Blount (Terry) of Searcy, AR, daughter Karen Brantley (Beau) of Redfield AR, grandson Hunter Brantley (Brianna) of Redfield, AR, great grandsons Bradley and Vincent Brantley of Redfield, step grandson Jeremy Blount (Rachel) of Sulphur Springs, TX, step granddaughter Betsy Lara (Sam) of San Antonio, TX, step great granddaughter Danni Lara of San Antonio and brother Robert O Stuart (Pamela) of Indianapolis, IN. Also several nieces, nephews, and many very good friends. He was preceded in death by his parents.

The family would like to thank Dr. John Wornock and his staff at Primecare for their excellent care over the years.

Arrangements are entrusted to Powell Funeral Home of Searcy. www.powellfuneralhome.net

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Memorial Park

5101 West 7th Street
Texarkana, TX 75501

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **26**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services (Searcy)
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Graveside Service

NOV **28**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Hillcrest Memorial Park
5101 West 7th Street
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Tribute Wall



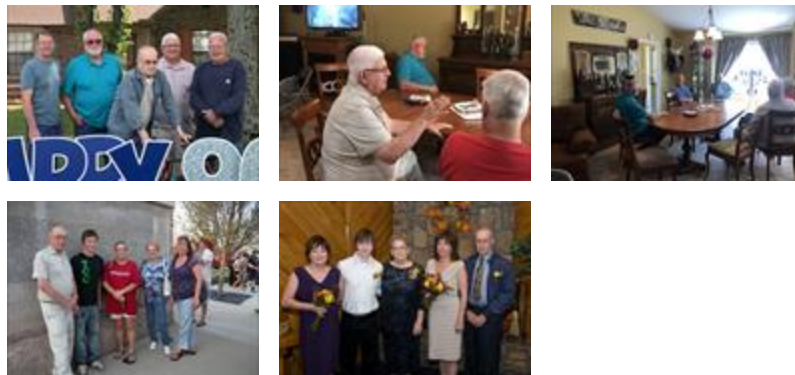
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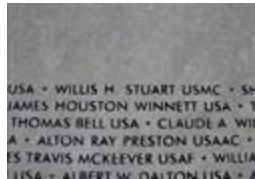
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