



Jimmy Bert Thornton

November 19, 1940 - October 29, 2017

Celebrating the Life of  
**Jimmy Bert Thornton**  
Friday, November 3, 2017 11:00 a.m.  
Broussard's Chapel  
Silsbee, Texas



*“If I Had Only Known”*  
by Reba McEntire

Obituary and Opening Prayer  
Reverend David Foster

Family Reflections

*“Because He Lives”*  
by Doug Starnes

Message of Comfort  
Reverend Jimmy Linn

Closing Prayer

*“Wild Side of Life”*  
by Hank Williams, Sr.



Jimmy Bert Thornton, 76, of Village Mills, died Sunday, October 29, 2017. He was born on November 19, 1940, in Beaumont, to Lucille Majors Thornton and Zolan Berson Thornton.

Survivors include his wife, Debbie Thornton; daughters, Gayle Franks and her husband, Tim, of Beaumont; Glynda Anderson and her husband, Bruce, of Hamshire; and Alexie Rutledge of Lumberton; sons, Gary Thornton and his wife, Gina and Geoffery

Thornton and his wife, Amy, all of Lumberton; grandchildren, Jeromy Thornton and his wife, Stephanie, of The Woodlands; Jarrod Thornton and his wife, Kelly, and Krystalyn Lowe, all of Beaumont; Zack Lowe of Hamshire; Andrew Anderson and Lauren Anderson, both of LaBelle; Morgan Haynes and her husband, A.J.; Emilee Sitton, Gloriana Garza, and Jadah Dennis, all of Lumberton; Dylan Dennis of Jacksonville, Florida; Kennedy Dennis and Grace McKewen, both of Lumberton; and Cole Thornton and Alyssa Thornton, both of Buna; great-grandchildren, Evan Thornton, Levi Thornton, Harper Herring, Allison Haynes, Cameron Glode, Landynn Fazio, and Avery Fazio; sister, Cathryn Rutledge and her husband, Gary, of Lumberton; brother, Glen Thornton and his wife, Shirley, of Gun Barrell; mother-in-law, Pollye Bradsby; and numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents; and sons, Andy and Austin Thornton.







*Dedicated to Mr. Jimmy*

*Night is approaching. It's your face we're looking for. One more time, your hello is needed at the door. The "Security, this is Jimmy" will be but an echo in our ear. Gratitude an sincerity, a voice Wildwood will no longer hear. The sun is setting, casting shadows on the lake, like on our heart. My friend it was not 5:30, not time for you to depart. The moon is hiding its face, it can't bare to show. The stars have but melted into tears that seem to flow. While you are no longer here to wave, as Wildwoodians and guests pass. Your memory will continue like sands through an hour glass. When you get to Heaven please stand fast and wait. For one day when its time we'll meet up at Heaven's gate, greet us with a smile and wave us on through. For only then, will our shift end when we again see you. Til then, our dear friend, be with us as we go on. This was but your sunset, while we still face the dawn.*

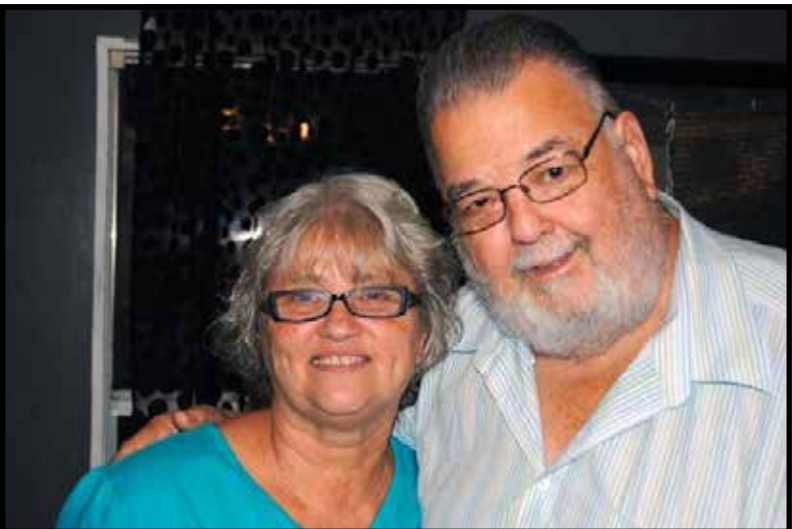
*By: Brandy Howard*











**Pallbearers**

Tim Franks

A.J. Haynes

Jeromy Thornton

Jarrold Thornton

Zack Lowe

Andrew Anderson

Ashley Tipton

**Honorary Pallbearers**

Cole Thornton

Dylan Dennis

**Interment**

Resthaven Cemetery

Silsbee, Texas



Please sign Mr. Thornton's guest book and share your memories at  
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