

**Leslie Joseph Holmes, Jr.**

September 12, 1934 - November 25, 2021

Celebrating the Life of  
**Leslie Joseph Holmes, Jr.**

Sunday, December 5, 2021 1:00 p.m.

Broussard's Chapel

Beaumont, Texas

The Reverend Keith F. Gilblin

## **The Burial of the Dead:**

### **Rite Two**

*All stand while one or more of the following anthems are sung or said.  
A hymn, psalm, or some other suitable anthem may be sung instead.*

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord.  
Whoever has faith in me shall have life,  
even though he die.

And everyone who has life,  
and has committed himself to me in faith,  
shall not die for ever.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives  
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth.  
After my awaking, he will raise me up;  
and in my body I shall see God.  
I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him  
who is my friend and not a stranger.

For none of us has life in himself,  
and none becomes his own master when he dies.  
For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord,  
and if we die, we die in the Lord.  
So, then, whether we live or die,  
we are the Lord's possession.

Happy from now on  
are those who die in the Lord!  
So it is, says the Spirit,  
for they rest from their labors.

*The Celebrant then says*

The Lord be with you

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ destroyed death, and brought life and immortality to light: Grant that your servant Leslie, being raised with him, may know the strength of his presence, and rejoice in his eternal glory; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**Song** “*Jesus Remembered Me*”

*The people sit for the scripture readings.*

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

*From the Old Testament – Read by Lindsey Leblanc*

Lamentations 3:22-33

*From the New Testament – Read by Emma Alvey*

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:10

*The Gospel*

*Then, all standing, the Deacon or Minister appointed reads the Gospel, first saying*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to John.

*People* *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

John 14:1-6

*At the end of the Gospel, the Reader says*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**Eulogy** Cindy “LuLu” Holmes

**Homily** The Reverend Keith F. Giblin

**Song** *“I Want to Stroll Over Heaven With You”*

## **The Apostles’ Creed**

In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us  
proclaim our faith and say,

*Celebrant and People*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## Prayers

For our brother Leslie, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, “I am Resurrection and I am Life.”

Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Leslie, and dry the tears of those who weep.

*Hear us, Lord.*

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.

*Hear us, Lord.*

You raised the dead to life; give to our brother eternal life.

*Hear us, Lord.*

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our brother to the joys of heaven.

*Hear us, Lord.*

Our brother was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give him fellowship with all your saints.

*Hear us, Lord.*

He was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant him a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.

*Hear us, Lord.*

Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our brother; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

*Silence may be kept.*

*The Celebrant concludes with one of the following or some other prayer*

Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you our brother Leslie, who was reborn by water and the Spirit in Holy Baptism. Grant that his death may recall to us your victory over death, and be an occasion for us to renew our trust in your Father’s (Continued)

love. Give us, we pray, the faith to follow where you have led the way; and where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, to the ages of ages. *Amen.*

## **The Commendation**

*The Celebrant and other ministers take their places at the body.*

*Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,  
where sorrow and pain are no more,  
neither sighing, but life everlasting.*

You only are immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, saying, “You are dust, and to dust you shall return.” All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,**  
*where sorrow and pain are no more,  
neither sighing, but life everlasting.*

*The Celebrant, facing the body, says*

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Leslie Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive him into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. *Amen.*

*The Celebrant, or the Bishop if present, may then bless the people, and a Deacon or other Minister may dismiss them, saying*

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*Thanks be to God.*

**Song**                    “Who’s Gonna Fill Their Shoes”

# The Committal at the Graveside

Everyone the Father gives to me will come to me;  
I will never turn away anyone who believes in me.

He who raised Jesus Christ from the dead  
will also give new life to our mortal bodies  
through his indwelling Spirit.

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;  
my body also shall rest in hope.

You will show me the path of life;  
in your presence there is fullness of joy,  
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

*Then, while earth is cast upon the coffin, the Celebrant says these words*

In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life  
through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to Almighty  
God our brother, Leslie, and we commit his body to the ground; \*  
earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust. The Lord bless  
him and keep him, the Lord make his face to shine upon him  
and be gracious to him, the Lord lift up his countenance upon  
him and give him peace. *Amen.*

*The Celebrant says*

                                  The Lord be with you  
*People*                  And also with you.  
*Celebrant*          Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those

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who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

*Then may be said*

Rest eternal grant to him, O Lord;  
*And let light perpetual shine upon him.*

May his soul, and the souls of all the departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. *Amen.*

*The Celebrant dismisses the people with these words*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.





**Leslie Joseph Holmes, Jr.**, 87, of Beaumont, died Thursday, November 25, 2021, at his current residence in Lumberton, with his loving family by his side. He was born September 12, 1934, in LaPlace, Louisiana, to Roline Madere Holmes and Leslie Joseph Holmes, Sr.

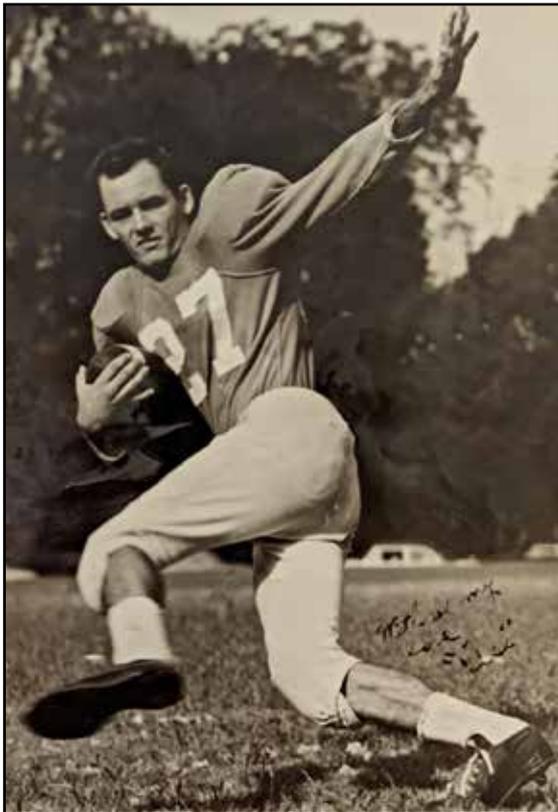
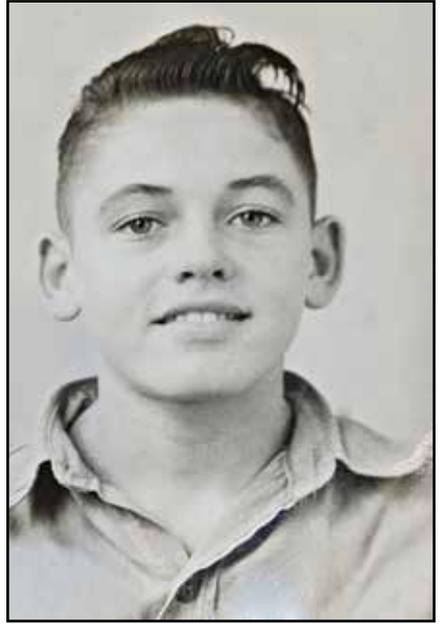
He was a 1955 graduate of Catholic High School in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, where he excelled in football and track. He set several Louisiana state records and received numerous medals and awards for his accomplishments in these sports and was awarded a scholarship to Southeastern Louisiana University in Hammond, Louisiana. He also served in

the United States Army National Guard. He retired from the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company Beaumont Chemical Plant after 35 years of service and was a Shift Foreman at the time of his retirement. He loved to hunt and spent many memorable years with his family at the “Deer Camp” and also enjoyed family gatherings at the “Holmes Cabins” at Crystal Beach. He also loved watching LSU football and baseball with his children and grandchildren.

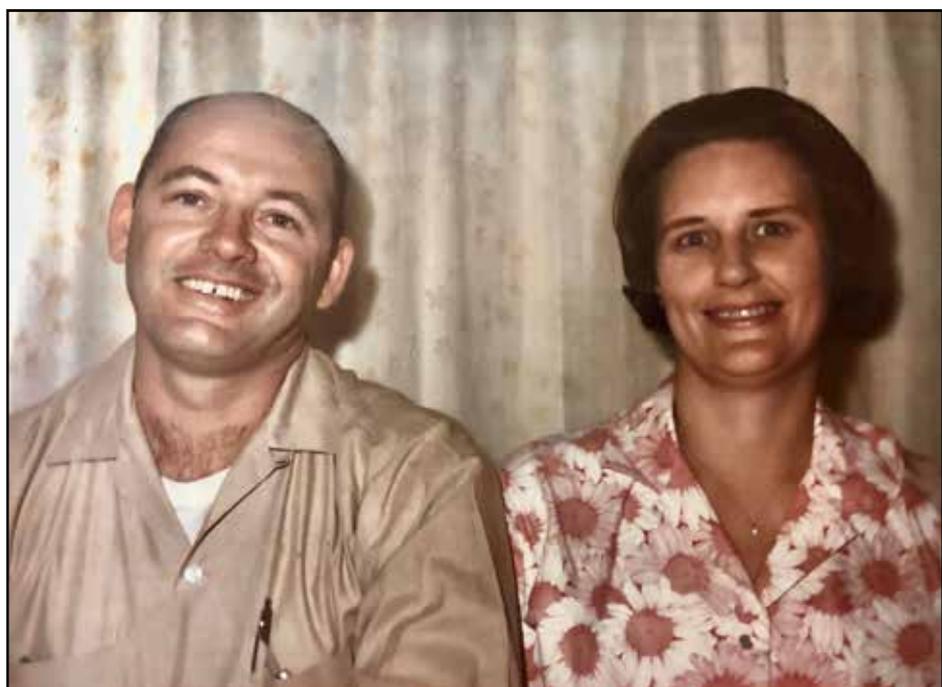
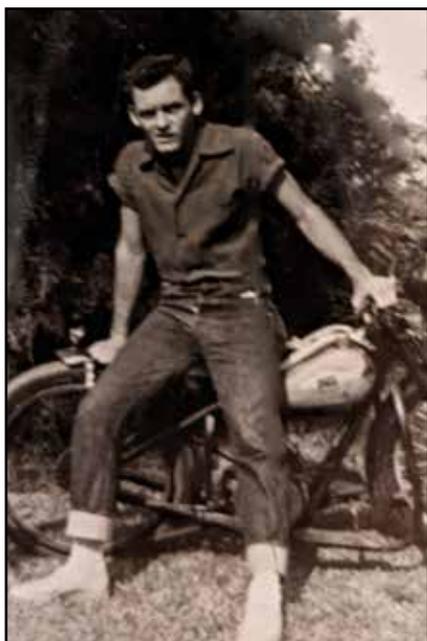
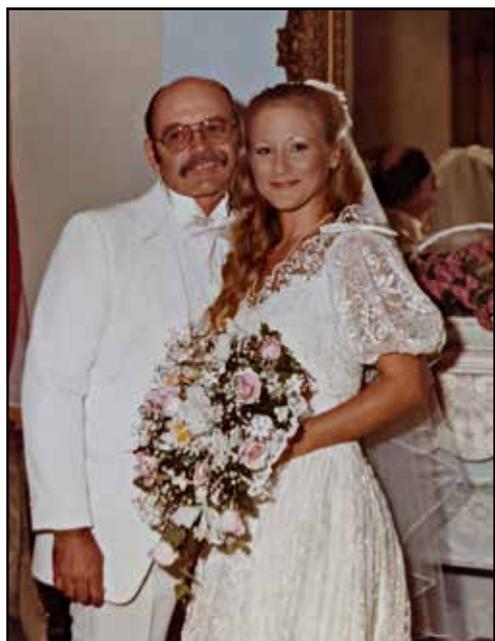
He is survived by his daughters, Leslie Holmes Rusche and husband, Howard, of Beaumont; Cindy “Lulu” Holmes and wife, Dana Dorman, of Lumberton; Linda Holmes Jeansonne and husband, Mark, of Baton Rouge, Louisiana; sons, Ricky Holmes and wife, Alline, of Sour Lake; and Clint Holmes and wife, Anjie, of Beaumont; sister, Julie Holmes Landry of Baton Rouge, Louisiana; grandchildren, Trey Alvey and wife, Angie, of Nome; Amy Alvey Toler and husband, Dan of Tarkington; Aerial Holmes of Breaux Bridge, Louisiana; Elaina Jeansonne of Baton Rouge and Andre Jeansonne and wife Kellie, of Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Dylan Holmes and wife, Adrian of Katy; Cassie Holmes Whiteley and husband, Justin of Alvin; great-grandchildren, Emma and Ella Alvey; Dawkins Toler; Bralynn and Gracelynn; Avery Whiteley; Oliver Holmes and numerous nieces and nephews.

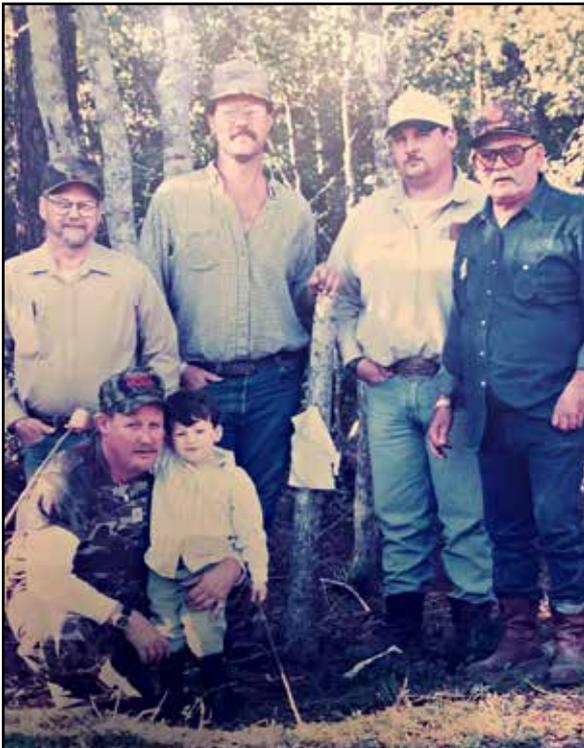
Leslie is preceded in death by his loving wife of sixty-four years, Betty Malone Holmes; his parents, and his sisters, Elaine Holmes Kirk and Patricia Holmes Matthews, both of Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

The family would like to express our love and gratitude to B.J. Butler, Brenda Boler, and Ginger Keneson for the excellent care they provided to our parents for the past 4 years. We would also like to thank the staff at Texas Home Health for their prompt and attentive care.



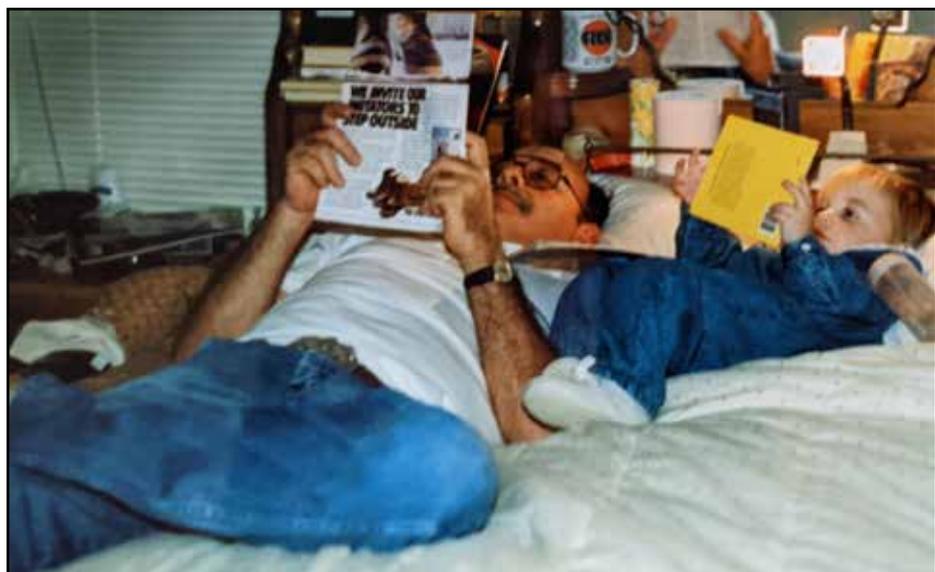




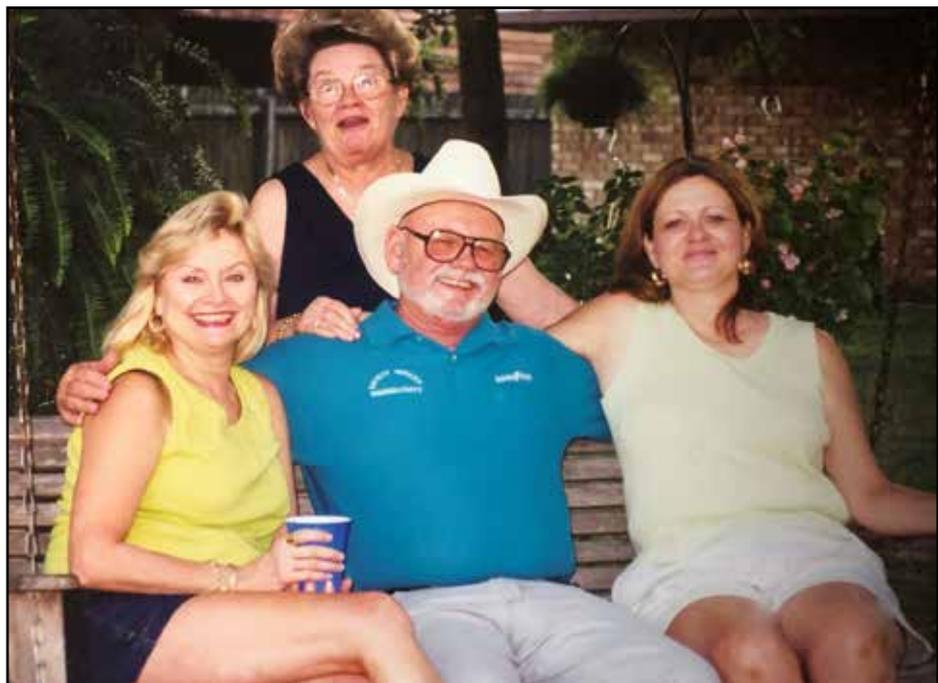




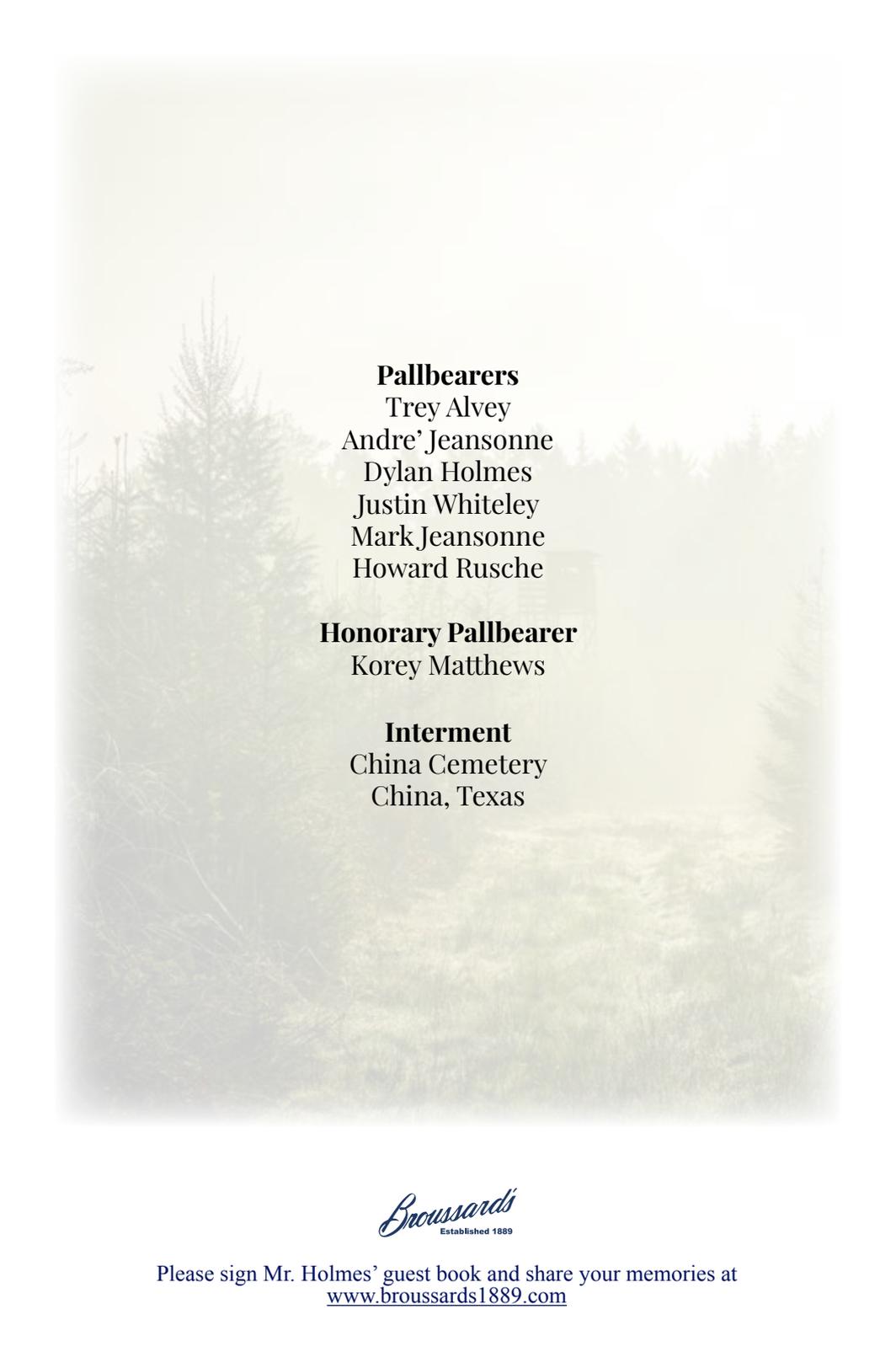












**Pallbearers**

Trey Alvey  
Andre' Jeansonne  
Dylan Holmes  
Justin Whiteley  
Mark Jeansonne  
Howard Rusche

**Honorary Pallbearer**

Korey Matthews

**Interment**

China Cemetery  
China, Texas

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