

Bennie Lee Como
September 29, 1928 - July 23, 2022

Celebrating the Life of
Bennie Lee Como

Thursday, July 28, 2022 2:30 p.m.
Broussard's Chapel
Silsbee, Texas
Reverend Ronnie Morrow
Chaplain Phil Holder

“I'll Fly Away”

by Alan Jackson

Obituary and Opening Prayer
Reverend Ronnie Morrow

“A Beautiful Life”

by The Statler Brothers

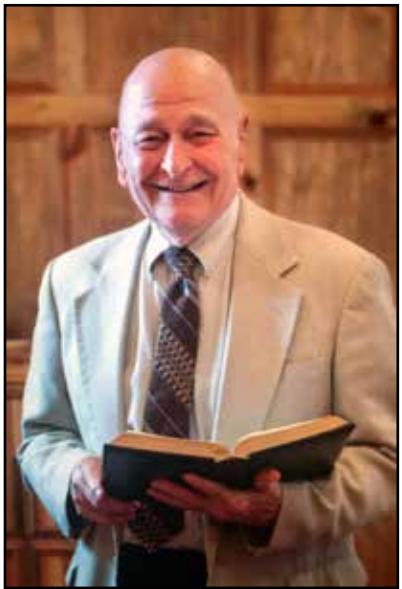
Message of Comfort
Chaplain Phil Holder

Closing Prayer

“Sweet Beulah Land”

by The Petersons





Bennie Lee Como, 93, of Silsbee, died Saturday, July 23, 2022, at home surrounded by family and friends. He was born on September 29, 1928, in Mexia, Texas, to Lula Lee Hume Como and Ben Como.

He attended Kountze High School and grew up in the Big Thicket where he loved to hunt with his father. Soon after graduation, he enlisted in the Army. Not much is known about his Army duties because he kept it secret. He was stationed in Germany for five years and was in the Signal Intelligence Agency.

He always said that nothing went across the airwaves he didn't know about. He was granted top secret security clearance and traveled to several countries as a civilian. He was also in the Military Police where he came in contact with very important military officials. He spoke of helping set up the communication department of NATO when it was established.

After returning home, he met Louise on a blind date. They later married, a love that lasted almost seventy years. He and Louise had four daughters, Sarah, Peggy, Donna, and Sissy. They say he was the best father ever and taught them essential things like changing a perfectly good tire in less than fifteen minutes so not to be stranded on the side of the road. He was proud of each of them and the accomplishments they have made especially their educations. He was also very proud of his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He loved each of them differently but in a way that they needed.

Bennie had several professions during his life, oilfield worker, owner of Como's TV and Hardin County Butane, before being elected Judge. This was his favorite career because he said he got to make a difference and help the most people. He was also a

preacher and built a chapel at his home. He started building a place to pray and didn't stop until God told him to and by then he had built the whole chapel. His faith was strong and important to him.

He learned to scuba dive at the age of 72 and throughout his diving travels, he and Louise decided to help the children of Belize. They were missionaries for ten years and made a difference in many lives.

Bennie enjoyed wood working and always had a project going or trying to keep up with Louise's projects. They also spent time quilting together and have made many beautiful quilts. He loved hanging out with his dog, Buddy. For ten years they went everywhere together. Other favorite pastimes were coin collecting and baking. He spent many hours sorting coins, looking for that special one needed for his collection. He loved to make sugar cookies and his secret BBQ sauce recipe.

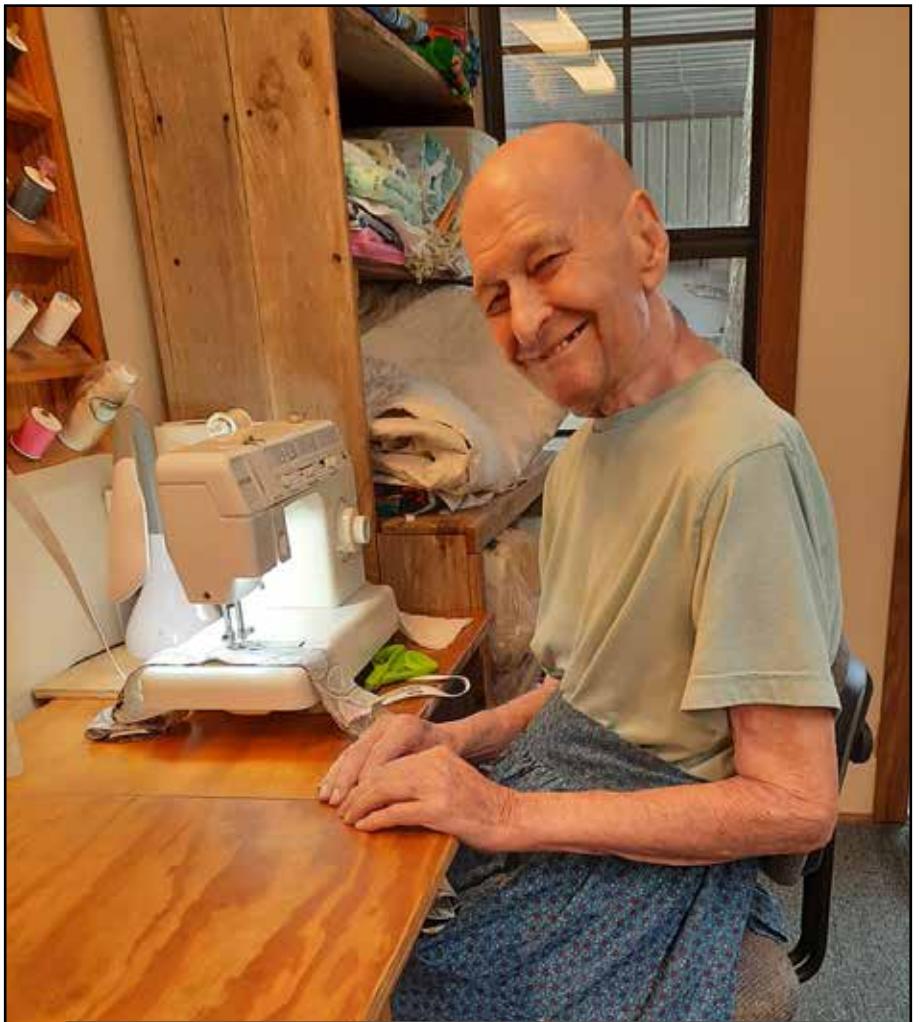
Throughout his life, Bennie came in contact with numerous people, and he hoped he changed their lives in some way for the better. He truly loved his life focusing on God, family, and country. He will be missed and is finally home and reunited with his wife.

Survivors include his daughters, Sarah Christopher and her husband, Rodger, of Crystal Beach; and Peggy Yates, and Donna Flanakin and her husband, Mark, all of Silsbee; grandchildren, Leeanne Bowerman of Beaumont; Kelli Jones and Samuel Jones, both of Lumberton; Amy Pustka and her husband, Robert, and Bennie Griffin and her husband, Jason, all of Silsbee; Sawyer Flanakin and his wife, Jane, of Austin; Cutler Flanakin and his fiancée, Hope Harrison, of Jasper; T.J. Longshore and his wife, Amy, of Austin; and Kennedy Barnett of Dallas; great-grandchildren, Hannah Middleton, Olivia Bowerman, Isabella Bowerman, Max Jones, A'Jeon Iglesias, Emily Pustka, and Lottie Atkinson; sister, Marie Hillin of Buna; and numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents; wife, Mina Louise Como; daughter, Sissy Barnett; and his siblings.



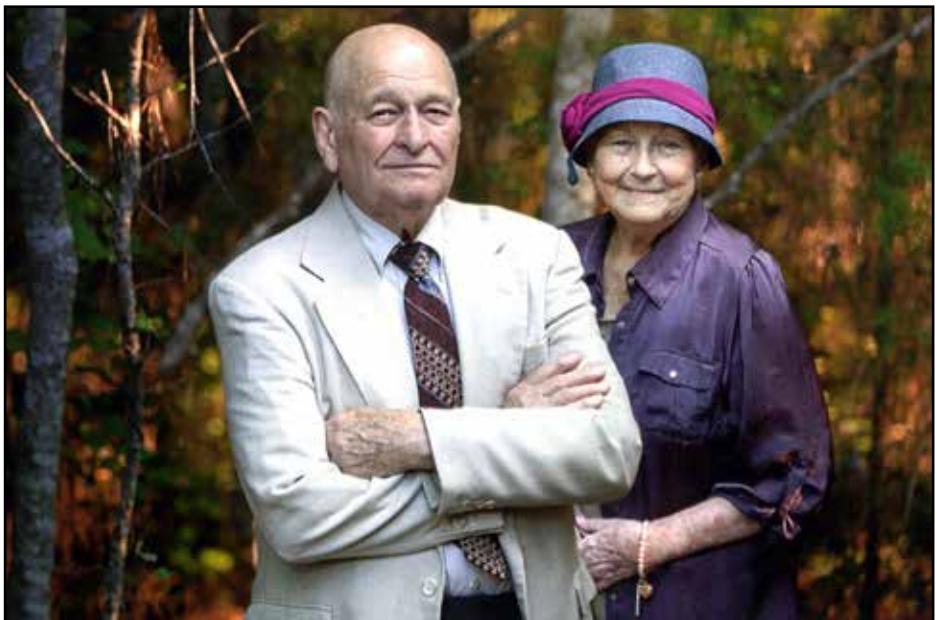
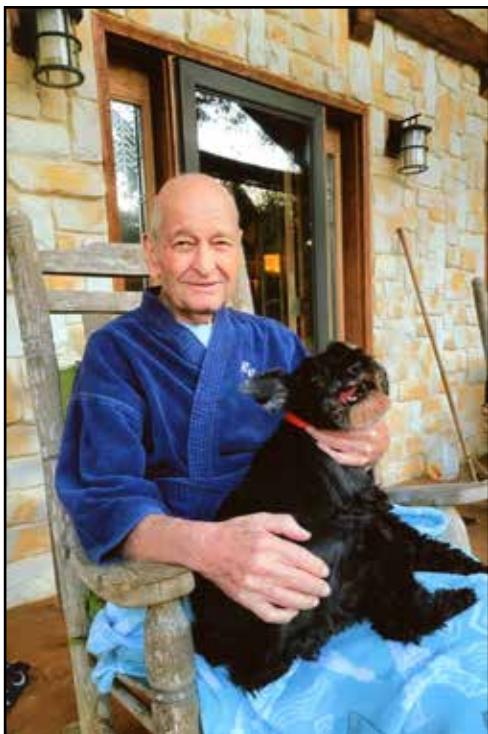






Psalms 71:17-18

*"¹⁷Since my youth, God, you have taught me,
and to this day I declare your marvelous deeds.
¹⁸Even when I am old and gray,
do not forsake me, my God,
till I declare your power to the next generation,
your mighty acts to all who are to come."*





2 Chronicles 7:14

*"if my people,
who are called
by my name, will
humble themselves
and pray and
seek my face and
turn from their
wicked ways, then
I will hear from
heaven, and I will
forgive their sin and
will heal their land."*



Pallbearers
T.J. Longshore
Sawyer Flanakin
Cutler Flanakin
Sam Jones
Max Jones
Charley Atkinson

Interment
Old Hardin Cemetery
Kountze, Texas

Military Honors
United States Army
Southeast Texas Veterans Service Group

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