

**Lenward Waylon
“Red” Cooper, Sr.**

April 5, 1941 - December 3, 2023

Celebrating the Life of
Lenward Waylon “Red” Cooper, Sr.

Thursday, December 7, 2023 7:00 p.m.

First Pentecostal Church
Silsbee, Texas

Military Honors
Southeast Texas Veterans Service Group

Draping of Texas Flag on Casket
Constable Kenny Davenport
Brian Cooper

Opening Remarks, Obituary, and Prayer
Reverend Wesley Jackson

“We Shall Behold the Lamb of God”
First Pentecostal Church Chorale

Eulogy
Michelle Brewer

Presentation of the United States Flag
Office of Congressman Brian Babin

Reflections
Dustin Gibson
Truman Dougharty
Joe Haralson
Pastor Brian Tanton
Reverend CM Duplissey

“Address Change Notification”
Karen Derise, Claudia Riddick, and Randy Riddick

Message of Comfort
Reverend Homer Looper

“Homesick”
Charles Brewer





Lenward Waylon “Red” Cooper, Sr., 82, of Silsbee, died Sunday, December 3, 2023. He was born on April 5, 1941, in Clay, Louisiana, to Woodrow Wilson and Hazel Crowell Cooper. He was the third of three sons, Huel Cooper, Douglas Cooper and Red.

He was raised in Chatham, Louisiana, where he excelled in baseball and basketball. He would spend a lot of time with the local law enforcement officer, Merf Tolar. After graduation from Chatham High School, he joined the United States Army.

After his honorable discharge, he married Patricia Jewel Jacobs. To that union were born four children, Lenward, Jr. “Nubbin,” Steve, Gaylynn, and Jason. Red and his family were longtime residents of Silsbee, where all four of his children graduated.

Mr. Cooper is a United States Army veteran and retired from Southwestern Bell Telephone Company after twenty-seven years of service in February 1993, before going to work for Hardin County. Red served the citizens of Hardin County with honor and great pride for twenty-six years, one month, and sixteen days, serving as Bailiff for the 356th Judicial District Court under The Honorable Britt Plunk and The Honorable Steven Thomas from December 15, 1992, until January 31, 2019. He concurrently served as the elected Constable for JP Precinct 1 from January 1, 1993, until December 31, 2016.

Red was a longtime member of the First Pentecostal Church of Silsbee, where he served many years as church secretary and led the services for over forty years.

Survivors include his children, Nubbin Cooper and his wife, Shelly; Steve Cooper; Gaylynn Gibson and her husband, Stanley; Jason Cooper and his wife, Marie; and Erica Singletary and her husband, Joe; grandchildren, Brandon McKinney and his wife, Candice; Dustin Gibson and his wife, Jessica; Jamie Gibson and his wife, Ashley; Anthony Cooper; Somer Cooper; Heidi Gibson; Carli Sumner and her husband, Aaron; Whitney Heinicke and her husband, Leon; Wesley Cooper and his wife, Nina; Marli Ferguson; and Mikayla Ferguson; great-grandchildren, August Gibson, Syrus Gibson, Tinsleigh Cooper, Hayden Cooper, Landen Gibson, Reid Gibson, Lexi Gibson, Landen Soileau, Sophie Soileau, Trace Garrett, Trent Garrett, Jax Thorton, Zachary McKinney, Karson McKinney, Ariana Singletary, Cooper Singletary, Adley Singletary, Hank Sumner, Hazel Sumner and many more people that called him Pawpaw; First Pentecostal Church of Silsbee Church Family; numerous nieces and nephews; and many other friends and extended family.

Red is preceded in death by seven weeks, his wife of sixty years, Patricia Jewel Cooper. He is also preceded in death by his parents, Reverend Woodrow Wilson and Hazel Crowell Cooper and brothers, Huel Cooper and his wife, Edna and Reverend Douglas Cooper and his wife, Pat.





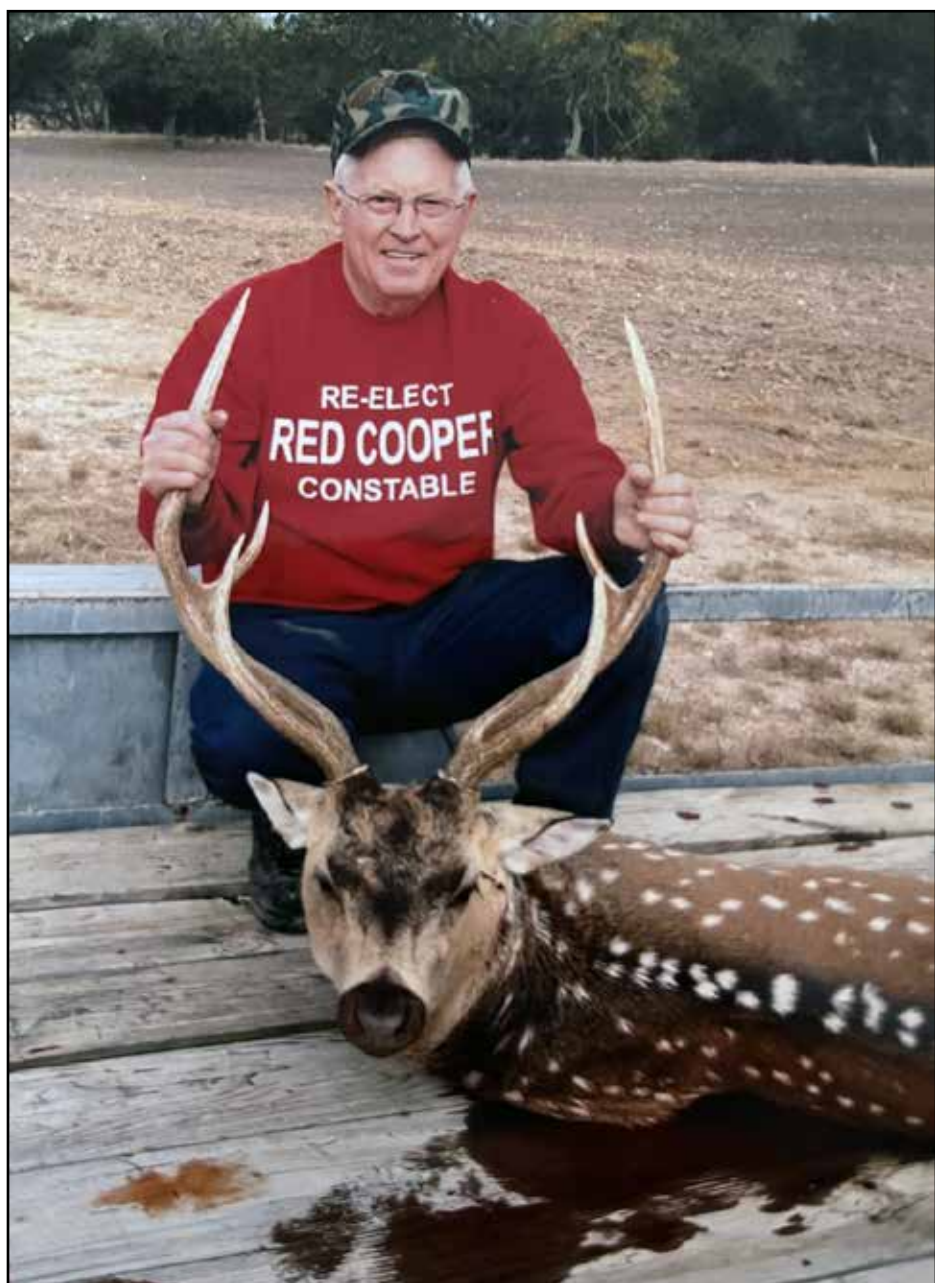


















First Pentecostal Church Chorale

Tammy Hicks
Karen Derise
Brandy Ross
Charles Brewer
Claudia Riddick
Randy Riddick
Dollie Willis

Musicians

Bass - Randy Riddick
Keyboard - Keri Smith
Organ - Claudia Riddick
Drums - Brandon McKinney

Pallbearers

Brandon McKinney	Dustin Gibson
Anthony Cooper	Jamie Gibson
Joe Singletary	Leon Heinicke
Aaron Sumner	Wesley Cooper

Honorary Pallbearers

Joe Harleson	Kerry Cooper
Truman Dougherty	Brian Cooper
Richard LeBlanc	Charles Samuel Duplissey
D'Wayne Crowell	
Keith Cooper	

Interment

Hardin Memorial Park
Silsbee, Texas

Broussards
Established 1889

Please sign Red's guest book and share your memories at
broussards1889.com