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Memorial services for Elbert William (Bill) Wimberly, 82, of Leesville will be held Saturday, June 10, 2017, at 1 pm at the Labby Memorial Funeral Home Chapel in Leesville. Burial will be held on Monday, June 12, 2017 at 11 am at Central Louisiana Veterans Cemetery, under the direction of Labby Memorial Funeral Home of Leesville.

Bill, was born on August 8, 1934, in Austin, Texas, blessing the home of Opal & Porter Wimberly. The eldest son of five children. His life came to an end on May 28, 2017 in Lake Charles, Louisiana, in the company of family and surrounded by love.

He is survived by his wife, Anna Martin Wimberly; his daughters, Stephanie Wimberley Davis and her husband, Alex of Leesville and Lael Wimberly Ferguson and her husband, Gilbert of Newport, Pennsylvania; three grandchildren, Bradley Davis and his wife, Stormy of Leesville, Morgan Davis Myres and her husband, Frank of Leesville and Jessica Alston Bower and her husband, Derek of Norfolk, Virginia; two great grandchildren, John Bower of Norfolk, Virginia and Lucas Myres of Leesville; sisters, Judy Smith of Smithville, Texas and Doris Taylor of Roswell, New Mexico; his wife's family, Dwayne Martin & wife, Jeannette of Leesville, Russell Martin and wife Karen of Pitkin and Anne Marie Templeton and husband Bobby of Pasadena, Texas and grandchildren and great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 56 years Beadie Reneau Wimberly and his son, Jeffrey Scott Wimberly as well as his parents, Opal & Porter Wimberly, his brother Larry and sister Leola.



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Bill was your typical boy, tying cats' tails together and putting spiders in his sister's bed. He graduated from High School in Austin and went into the Army National Guard in 1951. He enlisted in the military in 1954 and was on leave when he met the first love of his life, Beadie in Jacksonville, Texas in April of 1955. They were married in December of 1956. They had three children that they dragged all over the world as he was stationed in Germany, France, Italy, Hawaii and the United States. He loved new places and people and the military afforded him the opportunity to embrace both. He served 27 years as a transportation NCO and drill instructor before retiring in 1984 to Leesville to his house on the lake. He retired four times after leaving the military; never having been able to sit and relax. He and Beadie opened Financial Strategies and closed it in 1996 when Beadie got sick. He then worked at Walmart, Era and LBM and finally retired in 2013 after meeting and marrying, the second love of his life, Anna Martin Wimberly.

He loved to meet people and never met a stranger. He loved to travel and spent many hours planning trips in his RV. But his greatest joys in life were his family and loved ones. He loved working with young people and was an educated mentor. He couldn't stand not being busy. He loved being outside gardening and mowing or just sitting on his patio watching the ducks and geese on the lake. He always had a camera in his hand.

His indomitable spirit and loving heart will be with us forever. Never diminishing with time. We can rest easy knowing that he will watch over us forever, another angel on our shoulders whose memory we will always carry. Loving father, husband, grandfather and great grandfather.



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