



## Mr. Gerald D. "Murt" Melton

April 16, 1941 - February 9, 2011

Mr. Gerald D. (Murt) Melton, 69, of Sylvester died Wednesday February 9, 2011 at Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital.

The funeral service will be held Saturday February 12, 2011 at 11:00 AM at Northside Baptist Church with interment to follow in the Hillcrest Cemetery with Rev. Jerry Cooper, Rev. James Chambers and Rev. Dexter Wilson officiating.

Mr. Melton was born April 16, 1941 in Sylvester to the late Eddie Brown Melton and Vera Beulah Sizemore Watson. He was a native and lifelong resident of Worth County and retired as Director of the Sylvester/Worth County Recreation Department after 41 years of service. Mr. Melton was a member of the Loyal Order of Moose, Civil Defense, Wild Turkey Federation and Northside Baptist Church. Murt liked working with children, loved his family, enjoyed hunting, fishing, any sports activities and was a through and through Ram Fan.

Survivors include his wife Hazel Bush Melton of Sylvester, 2 daughters, Sharri M. Knight (Doug) of Zolfo Springs, FL, and Cindy M. Patterson (Gene) of Sylvester; 3 grandchildren, Kayla Knight, Brad and Justin Patterson; 3 brothers, Ray E. Melton (Rose) of Mineota, TX, James H. Melton (Shirley) of Garland, TX and Larry Melton (Marie) of Othello, WA; 2 sisters, Pat Sims (Willie) of Athens and Christine Kilcrease of Sylvester, and mother in law Gladys C. Bush of Sylvester.

In addition to his parents Mr. Melton was preceded in death by a sister Betty

Hoover.

The family will receive friends on Friday (TODAY) from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM at Banks Funeral Home.

Sign our online guest registry at [www.banksfh.com](http://www.banksfh.com).

Banks Funeral Home in Sylvester is in charge of the arrangements.

229-776-2055

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Gerald D. "Murt" Melton*

January 28, 2023 at 12:53 PM



“ *I was saddened to learn of Murts death. My condolence goes out to you the family. The community of worth county will surely miss him. He was very dedicated to the youth of the community. I will always remember our high school years and being on the baseball and basketball team with him . May God bless each of you and give you strength in the coming days.*

**O'Neal Bozeman** - May 14, 2018 at 05:22 PM



“ *Your family is in our hearts and in our prayers as you go through this difficult time. "Murt" will be missed by many people. With deepest sympathy,  
The Registers*

**David & Dianne Register** - May 14, 2018 at 05:22 PM



“ *Hazel,  
Beth and I are lifting you and the family up in the Homegoing of Gerald. He will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you now and in the future. Gob be with you all.*

**Bill & Beth Banks** - May 14, 2018 at 05:22 PM

AM

“ My memories of Gerald are all good ones. He will always be remembered as one of my favorite high school friends. There was a group of us in athletics, and we were a "team". I am so glad we got together for our 50th class reunion in 2009. My prayers to Hazel and his family. Angelyn

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**Angelyn Booth Moore** - May 14, 2018 at 05:22 PM

DR

“ Thinking of "Murt" always makes me smile! You all are in my thoughts and prayers.

Love,  
DeAnn  
"Big D"

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**DeAnn Young Reid** - May 14, 2018 at 05:22 PM

CG

“ Ms Hazel and Girls  
My heart is so heavy for your loss. But we know he will not suffer anymore He IS well NOW ! I know God will be with you and carry you thru this. You are in my thoughts and prayers

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**Carol Garrett** - May 14, 2018 at 05:22 PM

SM

“ Dearest Hazel and girls,

*So sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you. May God comfort you during this sad time.*

*Sincerely,*

*Sherry Guess McMurrin and family*

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**Sherry McMurrin** - May 14, 2018 at 05:22 PM

RJ

“ *My sincerest condolences on the passing of Murt. He will be greatly missed.*

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**Ralph Willis, Jr.** - May 14, 2018 at 05:22 PM

AS

“ *I am very sadden by the passing of Gerald A.K.A. Murt. My condolences go out to the entire family. We lost a great man way too soon. I grew up right across the street from the recreation department which I attended throughout my childhood and teenage years. With that being said I spent so much time with Murt and the crew during those years. It would take me hours or days to tell you'll about the great memories we spent together at the recreation dept. He taught me how to play table tennis and how to shoot a basketball at the age of 7. He took up a lot of time with me which I am very thankful. I will always remember Murt as a caring, loving, and fair man. R.I.P. Mr. Gerald D. "Murt" MeltonAlex Hines*

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**Alexander Hines Sr.** - May 14, 2018 at 05:22 PM

SD

“ I was honored to be elected with Murt as Most Athletic of class of 59. He was the Most Athletic and at the 50th class reunion he still looked like he did when we were in school. He was lots of fun very dry but funny. Glad I got to spend some time with him at the reunion. Hazel and family my prayers are with you.

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**Sandra Hancock Dahlin** - February 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM