# **Bobby Ray Wilkinson**

December 29, 1931 - January 18, 2017





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### **FACTS**

Born: December 29, 1931 Death: January 18, 2017

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Bobby Ray Wilkinson, 85, of Branchville, died Wednesday, January 18, 2017 in a Temple hospital. Funeral services will be 2:00 pm Saturday, January 21, at Marek-Burns-Laywell Funeral Home in Cameron with Rev. Geoff Lightsey officiating. Burial will follow in the Oak Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be Friday from 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm at the funeral home.

Bob was born December 29, 1931 in Branchville to James A and Betty Virginia (Francis) Wilkinson. He graduated from CH Yoe High School in 1949, went to TCU for 1 year, and was drafted by the New York Giants baseball club. He played 1 year for their minor league team in Muskogee, Oklahoma as a pitcher. He later worked for Dow Chemical and Alamo Trucking, after which he worked for Merchants Fast Motor Lines where he retired as Terminal Manager of their Freeport terminal in 1993. His favorite activities included time with his family, deer and bird hunting, fishing, umpiring baseball and softball, and playing dominoes with friends. Bob and Kay moved to Maysfield in 1997, and Bob continued most activities in retirement, including maintaining their 2 acre homestead. He was a member of Maysfield Methodist Church and was on the Board of Trustees. Bob was preceded in death by 6 brothers and sister; Virginia, James Jr. (Buck), Louise, Erline, Richard and Joyce. He is

## survived by:

Wife of 20 years Kay Wilkinson of

Branchville

Son Doug Wilkinson &

wife Paulanna of Houston

Daughters Debbie Behling &

husband Richard of Sugarland

Pam Vaught&

husband Karl of San Antonio

Carol Gilbrech &

husband Tony of Houston

Step-son Eddie Horn of Austin
Step-daughter Debbie Hair of Austin
Sisters Marjorie Jolly

of Houston

Pat Moraw & husband

Charles of Cameron

Brother-in-law Charles Ellis

of Cameron

7 grandchildren, David & Rachel Armendariz; Travis, Tyler, and Austin Vaught; Trent & Isaac Wilkinson 1 great grandson, Brandon Armendariz 2 step grandchildren, Kelly Bridges and Adam Hair 2 step great grandchildren Bowen and Bristol Bridges



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