FRANK KIRBY HAYDEN



Frank Kirby Hayden of Floresville died Saturday, February 6, 2016 at the age of 87. He was born February 3, 1929 in Galveston.

His family moved to San Antonio where he attended Harlandale High School. Frank joined the Texas State Guard in 1945 and was honorably discharged from the United States Air Force in December of 1949.

He worked for Tom Benson Chevrolet and Newt Godfrey Chevrolet dealerships as a truck mechanic. Later became a New York Life Insurance agent.

He was a faithful member of the American Legion Post 38 in Floresville where he served as a Commander and Adjutant.

Frank was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints where he served as Branch President from 1981 to 1986.

He also served in the Boy Scouts of America for over 52 years. Earning the Silver Beaver Service Award and Order of the Arrow Brotherhood. Frank helped many young men attain the rank of Eagle Scout over those 50 plus years and many a hot dog was served in the Poteet Strawberry Festival by his boys in Troop 955. Troops in San Antonio, Pleasanton, Floresville and Poteet benefitted from his generosity. He always said "Don't take the outing out of scouting." Campouts were a must do! He was preceded in death by his father - Frank Kirby Hayden, his mother - Helen Corinne Wilson Kirby and a child David Markle.

Frank is survived by his wife of 53 years Elsie Mitchem Hayden and children John and JoAnn Markle, Penny Raught, Gordon and Debbie Markle, Nancy and Joseph Denning and also dozens of grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren.

Frank was well known in Wilson County as a rancher and a friend. He will be greatly missed by everyone that knew him.

Family will receive friends Tuesday, February 16 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Franklin Funeral Home 914 3rd St. Floresville, Texas.

Funeral service will be held Wednesday, February 17 at 11:15 a.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 311 Galway, San Antonio, Texas.

Bishop Jess Swaim officiating. Interment to follow at 1:45 p.m. in Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery.

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