



Leon Phillips

September 9, 1937 - July 26, 2007

Obituary for Joseph Leon Phillips Memorial services are scheduled for Joseph "Leon" Phillips, 69, of Roswell for 10 am Friday, August, 3, 2007, at Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home with Pastor Terry Warner officiating. Burial will follow at South Park Cemetery. Leon passed away Thursday, July 26, 2007, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock, TX. Leon was born on September 9, 1937 to William Earl Phillips and Mary Shirley Phillips in Maury City, Tennessee. He served his country with the United States Army from 1958 to 1964. Leon moved to Roswell in 1965. He and Wanell Elliott were married on December 23, 1967; she survives Leon at the family home. Leon owned and operated Leon's 23 ³/₄ Hour Towing Service for over thirty-three years. He loved dirt track racing at Pecos Valley Raceway, telling jokes to his friends, and chewing his cigars. In addition to his wife, Wanell, Leon is survived by his three children, Randy Graves and his wife, Marlys, Cindy Masterson and her husband, Eddie, and Kimberly Spear and her husband, Charlie, all of Roswell; a step-son, Joe R. Reynolds and his wife, Vavial of Roswell; two sisters, Mary Ada LaComb and her husband, George, and Wanda Goodman and her husband, Larry, both of Tennessee; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. Leon was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, and one sister. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Kidney Association. To sign the online register book go to andersonbethany.com Services are under the direction of Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory.

Tribute Wall



“ *Leon Phillips*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *I just now found out about Leon's passing while doing a search on the internet to see if he was still driving his wrecker or if he had retired. Leon was a very funny man, loved his sense of humor, he was also a very helping individual, if someone needed a helping hand he was there. I worked for and with Leon over the years that I lived in Roswell, I'd wash cars for him (I did that mostly) then at one time (a short time) I drove an old beat up wrecker that the AAA office had and he decided that job wasn't right for me but I could wash, wax and buff car's like there was no tomorrow lol. If I needed work or a job he would always find a place for me. One thing I notice about Leon is that he NEVER seemed to get rattled or upset about ANYTHING he would just chew on his cigars and let it run off his back. He was a great man and I'll miss him for ever. RIP MY FRIEND!! Steve Clark aka: The Classy Chassis Auto Salon!*

Steve Clark - January 14, 2018 at 06:47 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Leon's passing. He was a good friend over the years to my family (Jack and rhoda goodloe) and he will be dearly missed. I am still at the County Clerk's office if there is anything that I can help you with or even drink a cup of coffee with you. God Bless you all and remember that He is in charge. Sincerely yours, rhoda goodloe coakley*

Rhoda Goodloe Coakley - August 04, 2007 at 01:33 PM

RF

“ I remember Mr. Phillips by "Candyman". Every morning that I took my mom into dialysis, no matter who you were, he would offer you candy. I will always remember his sweet smile and his friendly "hello" to everyone. GOD Bless Him, and allow him to go to our heavenly Father. His job here on Earth is done.

Ramirez Family - August 03, 2007 at 05:47 PM

CB

“ I was saddened to read of the death of Leon Phillips. I have such fond memories of Leon and all the times he towed my old car for me and how kind he was when called out by the Police Dept for a tow, even if it was the middle of the night. I can see him just like it was yesterday cleaning my windshield, with that cigar in his mouth. Godspeed Leon, you earned your wings a million times.

Charlotte Boswell - August 03, 2007 at 11:24 AM

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“ WE ARE SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS IF WE CAN DO ANYTHING
CALL
THE ARCHULETA FAMILY @ SWEATFIELD FAMILY

PHILLIPHS FAMILY - August 02, 2007 at 08:35 PM

CD

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family of Leon. I remember him when he had the service station at the corner of second and sunset as I lived down the street as a young girl.

Corinne Duran - August 02, 2007 at 08:01 PM

SR

“ *Our prayers are with you and your family.
Love Uncle Steve and Aunt Emma*

STEVE & EMMA RUSSELL - August 02, 2007 at 11:56 AM

AS

“ *I went to school with Kimberly in Roswell. Her dad Leon used to tug us around in his wrecker. I have thought of you all throughout the years wonderiing if he still had his business. My heart goes out to you at this time of loss. I went to school with Kim at Washington Avenue. My deepest condolences goes out to you all.
Andrea L. Sosa*

Andrea Sosa - August 02, 2007 at 09:07 AM