



## James Robert Hedgecoke

October 29, 1929 - June 21, 2011

James Robert Hedgecoke was born on October 29, 1929 in Amarillo, TX to R.H. Hedgecoke and Opal (Guthrie) Hedgecoke and passed from this life on Tuesday, June 21, 2011 in Denison, TX at the age of 81 years, 7 months and 23 days.

James attended and graduated from Clayton, NM High School in 1947. He proudly served his country as a Captain in the Texas National Guard until his Honorable Discharge and he retired from SW Bell Telephone as a service manager after forty plus years. He married Carroleen M. Meeker on March 5, 1964 in Denison, TX and they spent 47 wonderful years together. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Durant and lifetime member of the National Rifle Association. James was the Texas National Guard commanding officer and officer in charge of two National High Power Rifle Competition Teams. He was an avid reader, expert marksman, decorated sharpshooter and enjoyed genealogy.

James is survived by his wife Carroleen Hedgecoke of the home; daughters Sandy Cook of Desoto, TX, Randye Hedgecoke of San Diego, CA and

Margaret Sue McClure of Durant, OK; sons James Randall Baker of Borger, TX, Robert Wade Baker of Bellingham, WA and Randall Carrol McClure of Durant, OK; sister Veda Tucker of Ruidoso, NM; brother Wade Hedgecoke of Las Cruces, NM; grandchildren Clayton Todd Cook, Kacie Cook Mendez, Misty Goodwin, Kelly Hendricks, Nikki McClure, Seantelle McClure and Shane McClure; great grandchildren Dalle Jo Beal, Caleb John Mendez and Matthew Paul Mendez and numerous other great grandchildren.

James was preceded in death by his parents R.H. and Opal Hedgecoke; infant daughter Carol Lynn Hedgecoke and granddaughter Tara Carpenter.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, June 27th, 3:00 PM at the First Baptist Church in Durant. Bro. James Robinson will officiate. Interment will follow in Highland Cemetery with Todd Cook, Jon Paul Mendez, Cody Spoon, Shane McClure, Justin Hendricks and Todd Hendley serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers will be Shawn Hendricks, Jackson Meeker, Kyle Damron and Clint Tawwater.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.brownsfuneralservice.com](http://www.brownsfuneralservice.com).

Services are under the direction of Brown's Funeral Service, Durant.

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# Tribute Wall



“ *James Robert Hedgecoke*

January 08, 2023 at 11:32 PM



“ *Mr. Hedgecoke will be missed by his neighbors on Kimber Lane. Our condolences to the family and we are sorry for your loss. Mr. Hedgecoke was a wonderful person and a great neighbor.*

Hillary and Diane Dean - June 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *To Family of Mr. Hedgecoke I'm sorry for your lost I was at the scene ,I just would like to tell you he did'nt suffer no pain it was quick,we tried to help him but god had him in his hands,We all Prayed for him also we Prayed for all his Family, My Condolences are with you and your Family.I will pray for all in your time of needs. Sincerely Yours Maggie Cranfill*

maggie cranfill - June 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *A sympathy card has been sent to the family of James Robert Hedgecoke c/o Browns Funeral Service funeral home.*

June 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ I would like to send my condolence for your loss of Jim, I enjoyed reading his post, receiving friend request and connecting with the Hedgecoke family, he will be missed. I am a cousin 3rd removed(according to him) also a friend although I only saw him for 3 days at a reunion. He loved his family.

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**Dorthy Hedgecoke Hickey** - June 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ Jim surprised me several years ago when he, his beloved wife, and darling granddaughter, Seantelle, visited my home in Bartlett, TN. I had never met him and was delighted to learn he was working on the Hedgecoke family tree. His goal was to meet all living Hedgecokes and find the resting places of those deceased. What an amazing hobby! Jim was a distant cousin to me and my sister, Nina Kay Hedgecoke Mills. I am deeply saddened by his loss as I really felt a connection to him. Seantelle and I connected through our love of Elvis, she having just visited Graceland while in Memphis. I will always cherish their visit with me.

*I know it is a shock to lose a loved one suddenly, but feel blessed that Jim had a long and good life and will rest in peace never having to suffer with ailments that might have robbed him of the quality of life that he was used to having. May he forever rest in peace.*

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**Carol Jean Hedgecoke Taylor** - June 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Sandy and family- you are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. I hope you find peace.

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**Susan Madden** - June 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ *RIP Friend we go back to Lubbock in 1965 as peers for Southwestern Bell Telephone. I will ever be grateful for the guidance you gave me when I lost my limb in an on job accident.*

*RD Rowland*

*SWBT (Retired)*

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**RD Rowland** - June 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ *We will miss you Uncle Jim Bob. Our prayers are with your family.*

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**Robert Hedgecoke** - June 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

WW

“ *Sandy, Kacie, Clayton*

*I am sorry for your loss. My thoughts are with you in this difficult time.*

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**Whitney Wolf** - June 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ I only once had the opportunity to meet Jim, in March of this year, but I feel I know him well from stories Randye has shared with me. He was a warm and loving soul.

*My heart is with the family now, in this time of your loss. May you find peace in the knowledge that Jim led a long and rich life. May you find comfort in each other and your communities.*

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**Andrea Beth Damsky** - June 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM