



Erwin Fred Lingnau, Jr.

September 22, 1937 - March 8, 2024

Erwin Fred Lingnau, Jr., fondly known as “JR”, 86, of Richmond, Texas passed away on March 8, 2024. He was born on September 22, 1937 and raised in Rosenberg, Texas. He began school at an early age because his mother didn’t want him to be left behind as his birthday was in September. So Erwin went to Holy Rosary Catholic School for one year. He finished school at Lamar High School and graduated in 1955. He worked as a produce manager for Henke and Pilot (Pee Lot) Grocery which is now Kroger. He later went to work for Home Building and Lumber for a short period of time. He then spent the next 28 years working for Witco Chemical Co. until he retired. He then took a short break from working, but as we all know he could not sit still for very long. So he went back to work doing lawn maintenance for Fort Bend Independent School District for the next 6 years and retired again.

In 1962, he met the love of his life Yvonne Schimara of Needville. They married a short time later on September 22, 1963 which also was Erwin’s birthday -this way he could never forget their anniversary. They had three children, Byron Dale who was born premature and only with them for three short days before passing away. They then had Brian Keith and nine years later Shelly Renee. He was also blessed with three grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Erwin is survived by his wife Yvonne (Schimara) Lingnau of Richmond, his

son Brian Lingnau and wife, Donna (Johnson) Lingnau of Fredericksburg, and his daughter, Shelly (Lingnau) Schmidt and husband, Garren (Puggs) Schmidt of Needville.

Grandchildren include Craig Lingnau and wife, Jennifer (Carpenter) Lingnau of Mountain Home, Shelby Lingnau and boyfriend, Kevin Rubio of Fredericksburg, and Parker Schmidt of Needville.

Great grandchildren include Carter Lingnau and Colton Lingnau of Mountain Home.

Erwin is also survived by his nephew, Jimmie Grant and nieces, Sherrie Grant, Bridget (Schimara) Robinson, and Stacy (Schimara) Cockerham.

He is preceded in death by his infant son, Byron Dale Lingnau; his parents, Erwin Lingnau Sr. and Marie Lingnau; his in-laws, Robert (Bob) Schimara and Flossie Mae Schimara; brother-in-law, Bobby Schimara; and sister, Doris Grant.

Visitation will be held from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., on Tuesday, March 12, 2024 in the Chapel of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home in Rosenberg.

The funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, March 13, 2024 at Immanuel Evangelical Church in Needville. Burial to follow at Greenlawn Memorial Park in Rosenberg.

Pall Bearers will include: Craig Lingnau, Shelby Lingnau, Bobby Bankston, Jimmie Grant, Zane Atkinson and Hunter Bienek.

Honorary Pall Bearers will include: Hallie Bienek, Parker Schmidt, Carter Lingnau, Sherri Grant, Colton Lingnau, Eldon Ellison, Victor Hawkins and

Marcus Fortenberry.

For those wishing, in lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the Memorial Fund at Immanuel Evangelical Church in Needville.

Tributes and words of condolence may be left for the family at www.davisgreenlawnfh.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home, 3900 B.F. Terry Blvd. (Hwy 59 South @ FM 2218), Rosenberg, Texas 77471, Phone: 281-341-8800.

Cemetery Details

Greenlawn Memorial Park

3900 B.F. Terry Blvd.
Rosenberg, TX 77471

Previous Events

Public Visitation

MAR 12. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Davis Greenlawn Funeral Chapels and Cemeteries
3900 B.F. Terry Blvd.
Rosenberg, TX 77471
(281) 341-8800

Funeral Service

MAR 13. 10:00 AM (CT)

Immanuel Evangelical Church
9018 Church St
Needville, TX 77461

Tribute Wall



“ *Sending our heartfelt prayers and condolences to the family of Mr. Lingnau. Always enjoyed talking with him although it's been some years past, a great guy who I'm sure will be greatly missed. May God Bless.* ”

Martin Korthauer - March 12, 2024 at 08:12 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Erwin Fred Lingnau, Jr..* ”



March 12, 2024 at 04:05 PM



“ *- Marcie Howell planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Erwin Fred Lingnau, Jr..* ”

- Marcie Howell - March 12, 2024 at 04:05 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Erwin Fred Lingnau, Jr..* ”



March 12, 2024 at 10:53 AM

SS

“ *Stacey Schodek lit a candle in memory of Erwin Fred Lingnau, Jr.*



Stacey Schodek - March 11, 2024 at 07:30 PM

LM

We would like to express our sincere sympathy to the entire Lingnau family. Erwin was simply one of the kindest most gentle people that we've ever known. He loved his family and wasn't concerned about sharing it with others. He was a caring husband, loving dad and kind person. He will be missed and not easily forgotten by all that had the pleasure of knowing him. We send our warm regards. Lamar& Dana Meadows

Lamar Meadows - March 12, 2024 at 11:08 PM

JT

“ *Dear Yvonne and Family,*

George told me about Irwin and I am loving thoughts and prayers your way.

*Love,
Judy Turner*

Judy Turner - March 11, 2024 at 04:57 PM

SS

“ *Shelly Sullivan lit a candle in memory of Erwin Fred Lingnau, Jr.*



Shelly Sullivan - March 11, 2024 at 07:28 AM

GK

“ *Who could ever forget that big happy smile! And all the songs on that keyboard. Love you all so much.*

Gloria Kelley - March 10, 2024 at 07:05 PM

GA

“ *Mrs. Lingnau, Brian, Shelly, & family, as I told Brian when he called me to let me know Friday, my family and I are all so saddened at the passing of dearest Mr. Lingnau. I always enjoyed hanging out at your house when we were younger, hunting in Rock Island at Will's with him, the cook off team adventures we had where he and all of our family members were there for us(especially the big party we had every year at Fort Bend County Fair Cook Off), and him and I talking anytime we would see each other. May his soul rest in peace and be free of all the suffering he has endured. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all as Kim and I just went thru this with her dad, and feel all your pain and grief. Time eases the pain, but the memories are always there, and thanks Brian for us hanging out lately as we have both been helping each other get thru this, and knowing I am still going thru this with my dad. Greg Antrich and family.*

GREG ANTRICH - March 10, 2024 at 02:18 PM