



## Jerry Glen Schave, Sr.

May 20, 1934 - October 27, 2018

A devoted husband, father and grandfather, Jerry Glen Schave, Sr. joined his beloved wife Lillie and son Jerry Jr. in Heaven on Saturday evening, October 27, 2018, when he passed away in Houston following a brief illness.

He was born in Granite, Oklahoma on May 20, 1934 to Roy and Wastella (nee Chapman) Schave, and spent his youth in Granite and Paris, Texas working on the family farm. Jerry joined the United States Navy at the age of 17, served on the USS Henderson during the Korean War, and received numerous medals of commendation for his service. His service in the Navy brought him to Kingsville, Texas, where he chose to remain after being honorably discharged. There he met and, in January of 1958, married the love of his life, Lillie Rocha. Together, they enjoyed a happy, loving and fun 54-year marriage.

As a newlywed, Jerry held various jobs while attending Texas A&I in Kingsville. He joined Humble Oil and Refining in 1964 and was promoted to various positions with the company throughout South Texas, including stops in Freer and Refugio. Most important to him, Jerry was the ultimate family man. Never too busy for his son and daughter, he spent endless hours attending their sporting events, UIL events, and many other school activities. Jerry also loved South Texas, the outdoors, and spending time in his garden. Always eager to share the fruits of his bounty, he would often arrive at family and

friends' homes with a bag full of tomatoes, oranges and lemons for his loved ones to enjoy.

Jerry and Lillie eventually relocated to Rosenberg, Texas before he retired from Exxon in 1996. Jerry often said that the key to his happy retirement was the great joy of spending time with his only grandchild, Kara. They had a special bond and enjoyed many fun adventures over the years.

Jerry was a gentle giant with a playful sense of humor. Never one to complain, he preferred to care for others than vice versa. It was the simple things in life that made him happy – a good meal, a pretty sunset, shared laughter, and the love of dear friends and close family. For the past few years, he was blessed to enjoy life as a resident of The Forum at Memorial Woods in Houston, where he enjoyed the many planned activities as well as the love and support of the outstanding staff.

Jerry Glen Schave, Sr. was preceded in death by his wife, Lillie R. Schave; his son, Jerry G. Schave, Jr.; and his sister, Bettye Brown. He is survived by his daughter, Roxann Schave Neumann and her husband, Tim, of Houston; granddaughter, Kara M. Neumann of Washington D.C.; sister, Carolyn Allen of Reno, NV; brother in-law Bobby Brown of Del City, OK; nephew Michael Rocha and wife, Amaly of Dayton, NJ and numerous nieces, nephews and extended family and close friends.

Visitation will be held on November 2, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. at Davis- Greenlawn Funeral Home followed by a private graveside service at 12:30 p.m. at Greenlawn Memorial Park in Rosenberg, Texas. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated by Fr. John Rooney on Friday, November 2, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. at the Chapel of Duchesne Academy of the Sacred Heart, 10202 Memorial Drive, Houston, TX.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Schoenstatt Sisters of Mary, 134 Front Street, Rockport, TX 78382.

Tributes and words of condolence may be left for the family at [www.davisgreenlawnfh.com](http://www.davisgreenlawnfh.com).

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home, 3900 B.F. Terry Blvd., Rosenberg, Texas 77471.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenlawn Memorial Park

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 2. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

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

## Service

NOV 2. 4:30 PM.

The Chapel of Duchesne Academy of the Sacred Heart  
Houston, TX

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Peter purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Jerry Glen Schave, Sr..*



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**Peter** - November 02, 2018 at 09:13 AM

“ Remembering Jerry Schave

*I am blessed and a better person for having had the friendship of Jerry Schave.*

*Among his many qualities to admire were those of unswerving dependability and calm assurance. You knew you could always count on Jerry. Or as the saying goes today, he had your back. For certain, he was sure as the sunrise.*

*He was an individual possessed of those qualities that make for a man to whom respect finds its way. And you came to appreciate how that regard would blossom in your presence with a folksy, sure impact.*

*Jerry was one whose presence made others feel comfortable. He was not a person given to self-absorption and flash, but rather went about his business---and the business of helping others--in a quiet way without a lot of rah-rah. Over time one discovered that his having experienced many of the ways of the world gave him the ability to offer observations that made you an appreciative audience. Which is to say that he had seen enough in his lifetime that you would perk up and listen raptly when he spoke.*

*Jerry's life was not all roses. He knew the tragedy of losing a young son, a loss that my own family came to know during World War II. In that way, and through my friendship with his daughter, I have always felt an almost mystic sense of kinship with him and his family.*

*Jerry also had an engaging sense of humor. To put it simply, he was fun and fun to be around. It wasn't a raucous, slap-on-your-back type of humor, but usually came in more gentle ways. It never failed to make you smile.*

*Even a few days ago his wry wit was on display. Standing by his bed and hoping your presence might help make him feel better, he*

*turned the tables himself and offered moments of his signature humor that made all the hearts brighten of those standing around that bed.*

*Not only did he have strength of character, he was also possessed of a notable physical strength. Behind his broad shoulders there was someone who was as strong as the proverbial ox. At my home he once carried without help an iron bedspring down from a second story and out into a garage, a feat usually requiring a team of two or three able bodies. Once done, I extended my gratitude. With typical humility, he replied: "No problem. What's next?" I marveled at what he had done and the simple sincerity of his response. It was pure Jerry. And it made you like him all the more.*

*His smiling, reassuring manner will be greatly missed. He had a profound and indelible impact on my life, a valued friend who will forever remain in my memory as a cherished presence.*

*Peter Roussel*

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**Peter Roussel** - November 02, 2018 at 08:02 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Jerry Glen Schave, Sr..*



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November 02, 2018 at 07:45 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Jerry Glen Schave, Sr..*



November 02, 2018 at 07:01 AM



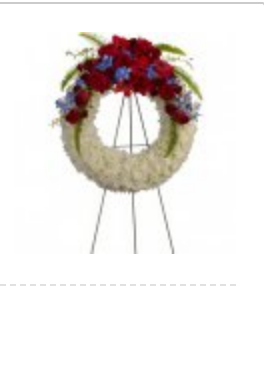
“ *Belinda Creel lit a candle in memory of Jerry Glen Schave, Sr.*



**Belinda Creel** - November 01, 2018 at 07:53 PM



“ *The TBC-Brinadd Family purchased the Reflections of Glory Wreath for the family of Jerry Glen Schave, Sr..*



**The TBC-Brinadd Family** - November 01, 2018 at 03:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jerry Glen Schave, Sr..*



November 01, 2018 at 11:45 AM



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**Davis Greenlawn Funeral Chapel and Cemeteries - October 31, 2018 at 02:47 PM**