



Forrest Fred Newton

January 7, 1928 - March 12, 2019

Forrest Fred Newton, 91, of El Campo, passed away March 12, 2019. He was born on January 7, 1928 to William Fred and Helena Hansen Newton. Forrest served in the U.S. Army during WW II. Forrest married Norma Bard Newton on March 9, 1949. They just celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary.

Forrest was also a Mason for 67 years. He faithfully served his church in many capacities. This included being on the church council, serving as the Sunday School Superintendent, and adult and youth Sunday school teacher. The majority of his life was spent earning a living for his family as a grocer alongside his brother, Odis Newton, in Newton's Food Market. Later on he became the shop foreman for Pihoda Welding. Another of his sideline jobs was teaching defensive driving.

Forrest is remembered as an avid hunter, "42" domino player and fisherman. He greatly enjoyed all of these past times with family and friends. Forrest was affectionately called "Father 42" by his family.

He is survived by his wife, Norma Newton; daughters, Helen Johnson and husband Warren of El Campo and Gail Silliman and husband Bill of Ganado; grandchildren, Robert Schneider and wife Isela of La Porte, Karla Johnson of East Peoria, Illinois, Case Silliman and wife Rachel of Ganado and three great-grandchildren, Avery, Carter and Landry Schneider. Forrest is also survived by brothers, Wade and Odis Newton of El Campo and numerous

nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Ellis Newton; sister, Ida Mae Bloom and grandson, Luke Johnson.

Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, March 14 at Triska Funeral Home. A celebration of life service begins 10 a.m. Friday, March 15 at First Lutheran Church, 304 Oscar Street, El Campo, officiated by Pastor Clyde Grier.

Pallbearers will be Warren Johnson, Robert Schneider, Bill Silliman, Case Silliman, Karla Johnson and Carter Schneider. Honorary pallbearers will be Avery Schneider and Landry Schneider.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in memory of Forrest may be made to First Lutheran Church.

Triska Funeral Home, El Campo, 979-543-3681

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 14. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Triska Funeral Home
612 Merchant Street
El Campo, TX 77437-3440
(979) 543-3681
triskafh@sbcglobal.net

Celebration of Life

MAR 15. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Lutheran Church
304 Oscar Street
El Campo, TX 77437
<http://firstlutheranec.com/>

Tribute Wall

MS

“ I'm sorry that I am late with my condolences but I just found out about Forrest's passing. Helen and Gail I am so sorry for your loss. I have fond memories of Forrest from the grocery store and the Masonic Lodge.

Martin



Martin Strarup - March 18, 2019 at 04:54 PM

YL

“ My sincere condolences to the entire family. Mr. Newton was one of a kind. Always enjoyed stopping my Newton's Food Market and charging food items to my parents account. May he rest in peace. God bless!

Yvonne Quintero Lewis

Yvonne Lewis - March 18, 2019 at 04:29 PM

MK

“ Your Dad was an amazing man. I have so many sweet memories of him. He always made a point to include all the neighborhood children in the volleyball games we played. My heart goes out to all of you. Sincerely, Marilyn Herzik Kocurek

Marilyn Kocurek - March 17, 2019 at 09:07 PM

LC

“ My condolences to the family. He was such a very nice man.

Laurel Clements - March 15, 2019 at 09:20 AM

KB

“ I remember when I was a kid, Uncle Forrest was always teasing us kids and trying to make us laugh.. one way he would do this is to pop out his teeth at us... I would laugh myself sometimes till I would hurt.... so many good memories - he always had a good word for everyone - he will be greatly missed

Kenneth Bard - March 14, 2019 at 11:59 PM

SJ

Forrest was like family to my family. If we didn't ride the bus home we walked to some destination in town where we were picked up by our parents. But that walk always had a walk to Newton's Grocery where we got what we wanted and signed a ticket to put it on our parents account. That was until our parents told us to stop going to Newton's because we were spending more than they were on groceries. We continued our trips to Newton's just to see the family but cut down on the purchases because we were always greeted with smiles and hugs from Forrest. We loved him like family and it saddens me to see that he is passed. I only wish I could have been at the funeral. My prayers are for the family. Rest in peace Forrest.

SUSAN JURANEK JANACEK - March 16, 2019 at 09:22 AM

KB

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Kenneth Bard - March 14, 2019 at 11:04 PM

CH

“ *Ondolences to the family. He was a very nice man. Prayers for the family.*

Carol Halamiczek - March 14, 2019 at 10:50 PM

LI

“ *Living Waters Lutheran Church, Peoria IL purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Forrest Fred Newton.*



Living Waters Lutheran Church, Peoria IL - March 14, 2019 at 03:28 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Forrest Fred Newton.*



March 14, 2019 at 02:50 PM

AM

“ *I've known Forrest since I was but a wee mite. I remember him always taking time to talk to me while my mama was buying groceries at their store. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family.*



Andrea McCann - March 14, 2019 at 02:35 PM

JR

“ *My deepest sympathy and condolences for the family. Forrest was an extraordinary human being. His huge, kind heart was always open to everyone, there were no strangers in his eyes. I feel truly blessed to have known Forrest. His passing leaves a tremendous hole in the lives of his family and everyone that knew him. He will be deeply missed. RIP sweet friend. Janie Roehl*

Janie Roehl - March 14, 2019 at 01:41 PM

RF

“ *Ron Chambles and family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Forrest Fred Newton.*



Ron Chambles and family - March 14, 2019 at 01:37 PM

DF

“ *Prayers and hugs to Norma and the family. I have fond memories of Forrest for taking my son John under his wing when we first started going to First Lutheran. He and Mrs Atchetee were my go to people for all things Lutheran. He will surely be missed.*



Deborah (Petrich) Furman - March 14, 2019 at 12:57 PM

SM

“ *Deepest sympathy to Norma and family! Great childhood memories from being neighbors on Spruce St. RIP Forrest!! Prayers and love to all!!*

Sharon (Herzik) Malek - March 14, 2019 at 09:21 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Forrest Fred Newton.*



March 14, 2019 at 12:30 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Forrest Fred Newton.*



March 13, 2019 at 09:47 PM



“ *Oh how I remember our daily stops at Newtons grocery store as we Kacal kids walked home from school. Shopping with mother and dad there. Hug my parents for me. May you Rest In Peace. Mary (Kacal) Hairell*

Mary Hairell - March 13, 2019 at 09:07 PM