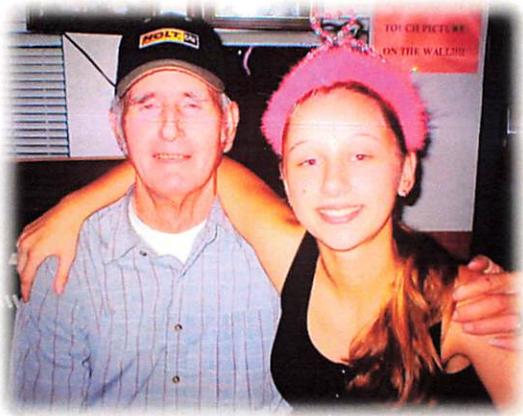


Jason enjoyed playing catch with him before church softball games. He loved watching his dad bat. "He could place hit really good."

He was not a man of many words, but when he spoke, we listened.... Except one time when the family was watching a TV program in the 70's, he must have told one of us to do something during the commercial. None of the kids seemed to hear what he said. So.... To see if we could hear him, he said, "There's a bag of candy on the table." He and Linda cracked up laughing when Matt, Mike and Tina jumped up to go see the candy on the table.

Grandchildren always enjoyed Game Night at Nanny and Pawpaw's.

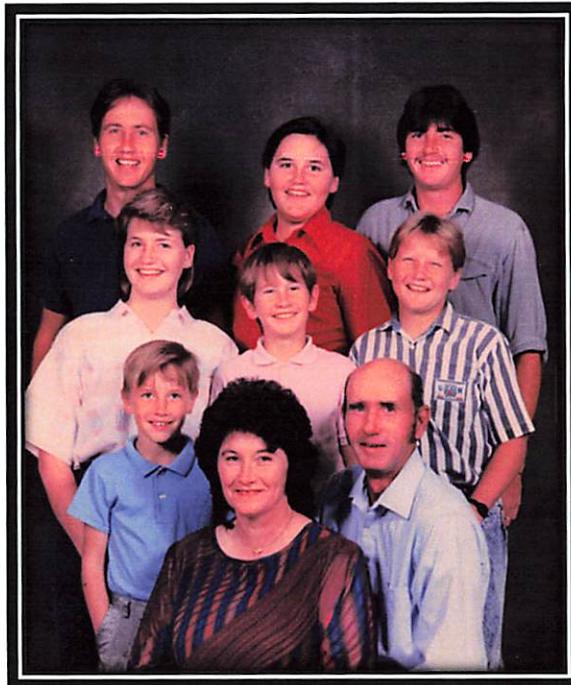
These are just a few of our memories. We will treasure these and so many more.



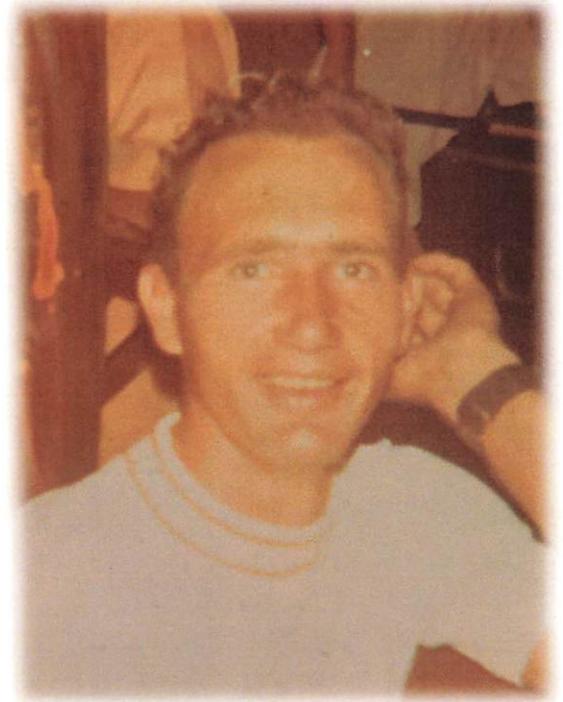
On Wednesday, March 26, 2025, he passed away at his home in Elgin, Texas, after battling colon cancer for several years. His wife and oldest son, Matt, were with him when he passed.

He is preceded in death by: His parents, Roy Dean and Jesse Zelma Calhoun; Siblings, Ruth McDonald, Irene Coppola, Ruby Meredith, Floyd McDonald, Bertha Mae Gladieux and Albert Roy Calhoun; Grandchildren, Daniel Ryan Dover and Sherri Marie Calhoun, Great Grandchildren, Kaiya Sky Calhoun and Logan Marie Luper.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Linda Calhoun, his daughter, Christina (Tina) Dover and sons, James Matthew, Michael Roy, Jimmy Darren, Jason Wayne, Robert Clint, Albert Trent Calhoun and Danny Walsh. He is also survived by 33 Grandchildren and 35 Great grandchildren.



James Dean Calhoun



Jimmy was born on August 19, 1942, in Fort Stockton, Texas to Roy Dean and Jesse Zelma Calhoun. He was raised in Austin, Travis County Texas.



As a child, he enjoyed playing baseball with his cousins and friends. It was not uncommon for him to hit homeruns. He could hit the ball over the railroad tracks to the dismay of the other team. Some say that when Jimmy came to play ball, the opposing team quit.

At the age of 15, he started working with his dad as a roofer. He continued in the trade of roofing both residential and commercial properties for 60 years.



In 1962, the Johnson Family moved into the house next door.

Linda Johnson became friends with his sisters, Jewel Dean and Shirley Calhoun. A month after he met Linda, they started dating. They all enjoyed going roller skating on Wednesday Nights and to the movies on Friday nights. Saturdays were spent at the ballpark.

A few weeks later, they became engaged.

On June 15, 1962, they were married after only dating for 6 weeks.

Together with his wife, they raised 7 children.



He had a quick wit and was able to bring laughter unexpectedly. One time, the family was loading up in the station wagon to go somewhere. As his daughter, Tina, was getting into the car, she was singing very loudly the song, "Love put a song, put a song, put a song in my heart". He quickly replied jokingly singing: "I'll put a sock, put a sock, put a sock in your mouth." Which cracked everybody up. This story has been told throughout the years and brought laughter to many.

He enjoyed playing volleyball at church. He enjoyed it so much that he and the family made a volleyball court to use when we have family gatherings at home.

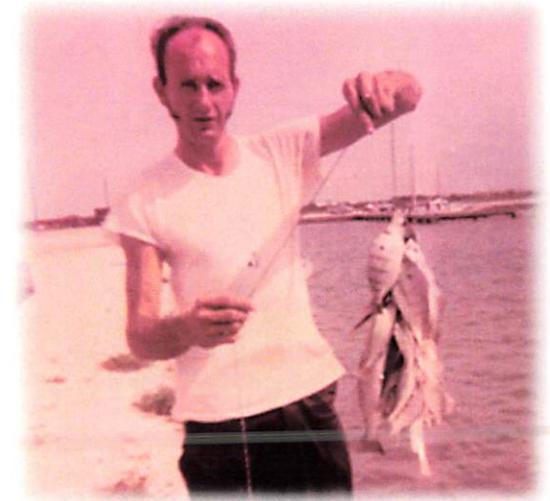
He had a knack for being able to do just about *anything* he set his mind to. From roofing, construction, mechanical work, and even crochet When his daughter was born in 1968, he crocheted a pair of booties for her to wear home from the hospital.

He could pick out tunes on the piano, guitar and violin without having formal music training.

He had the desire to learn to paint. He took painting classes and was able to complete multiple paintings. He enjoyed nature scenes the most. He liked painting mountains, rivers and western scenes.

His sons have fond memories of him building things for them when they were young. He built them a clubhouse in the back yard. For Christmas one year, he built his son Robert a play kitchen for his plastic dishes. Robert also cherishes the memory of the race car bed his dad built for him for his birthday one year.

As a roofer, Jim would often take the boys to work with him in the summer. The boys looked forward to going to work with him, because he always stopped at the store and bought them a chocolate milk and coconut pie for breakfast on the way to the job.



He enjoyed fishing and shooting guns with the boys and they as well as his grandchildren have enjoyed these activities with him.