

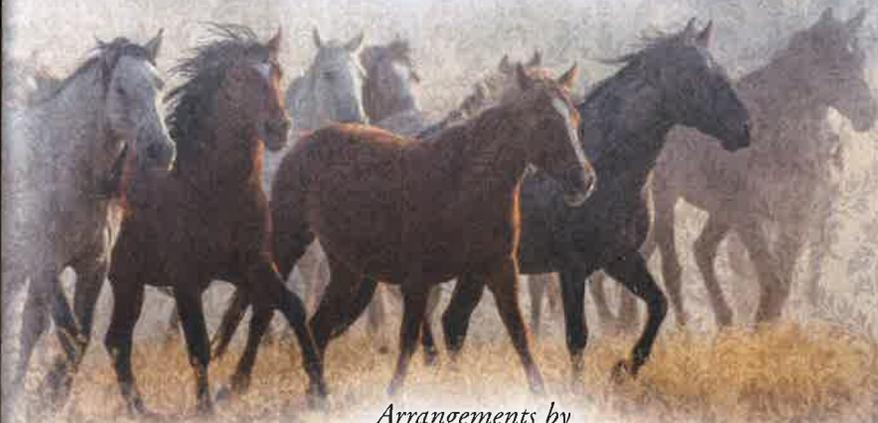
## —COWBOY'S PRAYER—

Our gracious and heavenly Father, we pause in the midst of this occasion, mindful and thoughtful of the guidance that you have given us. As cowboys, Lord, we don't ask for any special favors, we ask only that you let us compete in this arena, as in life's arena. We don't ask to never break a barrier, or to draw a round of steer that's hard to throw, or a chute fighting horse, or a bull that is impossible to ride. We only ask that you help us to compete as honest as the horses we ride and in a manner as clean and pure as the wind that blows across this great land of ours. So when we do make that last ride that is inevitable for us all to make, to that place up there where the grass is green and lush and stirrup high, and the water runs cool, clear and deep—you'll tell us as we ride in that our entry fees have been paid. These things we ask. Amen.



## —PALLBEARERS—

Chris Canales | Daniel Canales  
Darrel Cayenne | Isaiah Cody  
Zach Cody | Adrien Cody



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## —THE COWBOY RIDES AWAY— GEORGE CANALES, JR.



SUNRISE

November 15, 1946

SUNSET

June 26, 2025



## —SERVICE—

Saturday, July 5, 2025 | 2:00 P.M.

STEVENS FUNERAL HOME CHAPEL

400 West Pecan Street | Coleman, Texas

## —INTERMENT WITH MILITARY HONORS—

Monday, July 7, 2025 | 11:00 A.M.

TEXAS STATE VETERANS CEMETERY AT ABILENE

7457 West Lake Road | Abilene, Texas

## —PSALM 91—

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust. Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler. Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day; Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday. A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee. Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked. Because thou hast made the Lord, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation; There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone. Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet. Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name. He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him. With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation.



**GEORGE G. CANALES, JR.,** a cherished husband, father, brother, and grandfather, passed away peacefully on June 26, 2025, in Abilene, Texas, surrounded by his loving family. Born on November 15, 1946, in Mercedes, Texas, George grew up in Robstown, where he attended school and formed the foundational values that would guide him throughout his life.

George was a man of many talents, dedicating his career to working as a carpenter, ranch hand, and mechanic. His hands not only crafted physical structures but also wove together the fabric of family and community ties. An outdoorsman at heart, he found joy in hunting despite the playful acceptance that he never quite “got the big one”. George also enjoyed riding horses and tinkering with old cars.

In addition to his varied career and hobbies, George answered the call to service, when he was drafted into the United States Army, serving from 1967 to 1969. He served honorably overseas in Vietnam, where his bravery earned him numerous accolades, including the Vietnam Service Medal with four Bronze Service Stars, and the revered Purple Heart Medal.

On Christmas Eve in 1969, George married the love of his life, Rosita H. Vasquez, in Corpus Christi. Together they built a home filled with love, laughter, and enduring memories until her passing.

George is remembered fondly by his children, Christopher George Canales of Coleman, Daniel Andrew Canales and wife, Lois, of Coleman, and Stevens James Canales, Sr. and wife, Melissa, of Colorado. He also leaves behind his beloved siblings: Hilda Perez of Robstown, Irenio Canales and wife, Sharon, of Colorado, Ben Canales of Abilene, Gilberto Canales and wife, Lucy, of Abilene, and Dalia Cayenne and husband, Darrel, of Abilene. His legacy continues through his grandchildren: Mercadese Canales, Nathaniel Garvey, Devin Garvey, Melina Manibusan, Liliana Canales, and Steven Canales, Jr.; as well as his great granddaughter, Athena Manibusan. He is further survived by many nieces and nephews who held him dearly in their hearts.

George was preceded in death by his parents, George B. and Marta Garcia Canales, his loving wife, Rosita V. Canales, and two brothers, Oscar Canales and Fred Canales.

George G. Canales, Jr. will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered by all who had the pleasure of knowing him. His spirit, marked by love and loyalty, will live on in the stories and memories shared by family and friends.

We invite you to share fond memories and words of comfort and condolence with the Canales family by signing the guestbook on George's tribute page at [www.stevensfuneralhome.com](http://www.stevensfuneralhome.com). Stevens Funeral Home is honored to serve the Canales family.