



Joe Kirk Smith

April 20, 1926 - September 23, 2015

Joe Kirk Smith of Brady was born on April 20, 1926 in Algerita, Texas to Felix (Smitty) and Millie Smith. He passed away at home on Wednesday, September 23, 2015 at the age of 89

Joe Kirk graduated from Brady High School in 1944. He married Billie Jean Burger, his wife of 71 years, on June 10, 1944 in San Saba, Texas. Joe Kirk served in the Navy during World War II for two years. A true cowboy, he spent his life in the Angus cattle business, managing registered herds on several Texas ranches and exhibiting cattle at major livestock shows throughout the United States.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Survivors include his wife Billie Jean Smith of Brady, three sons: Larry Smith and wife, Claudia of Mexia; Gene Smith and wife Cheryl of Gorman; Mike Smith and wife Martha of Mason; three grandchildren: Matthew Smith; Hadley Smith; Marla Hanks and husband, David; and four great-grandchildren.

Honorary pallbearers are: Bill Burns, David Dahlberg, Mackey Ranne, Matthew Smith, Hadley Smith, and David Hanks.

Graveside services will be at the Melvin Cemetery in Melvin, Texas on Friday,

September 25, 2015 at 2:00P.M., with visitation from 10:00-11:00 A.M. at Heritage Funeral Home in Brady.

Memorials may be sent to Hospice of San Angelo, P.O. Box 471, San Angelo, TX 76902, or to the charity of choice.