

# In Loving Memory of Larry Edward Reynolds Sr.

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Larry Edward Reynolds Sr., 66 of San Antonio, TX passed away peacefully in his sleep on April 26, 2018. Larry was born in Welch, West Virginia. He is the loving husband of Linda Reynolds of San Antonio, TX. He is the son of the late Walter E. Reynolds and Elizabeth H. Reynolds of Statesville, NC. He was the father of Chip (Larry Edward Reynolds Jr) of Lexington NC and Stacy Reynolds Baumgartner of Statesville NC, three grandchildren Devin Reynolds, Elissa Ingle and Tyler Ingle and one great grandson Hunter Ingle all in NC. He left behind loving nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Larry graduated from Harding High School in Charlotte NC in 1971. While in high school he played on the football team. Following high school Larry served 3 years in the United States Army.

He received his certification and was employed with Dixie Trucking Co as a large engine mechanic. He repaired Semi-trucks. He loved troubleshooting mechanical issues and getting truckers back on the road.

Larry met his wife Linda Oxendine in 1979 and they were married on August 16, 1980. They had planned to marry on August 24; Linda's dad's birthday however, moved the date up when her dad became ill. They were happily married for 37 years.

Larry was an avid fan of golf. Before his illness he played weekly sometimes twice a week. NASCAR Racing was another love for which he collected lots of memorabilia through the years. Truth be told, Larry was happy to watch any sports on television. He was either tuned into the sports channels, news in bits and pieces and the weather channel. If one wanted to know what the weather was for the day or week they could ask Larry.

Larry's other love was carpentry. He developed his love of carpentry from his dad. He and his dad built custom cabinets. He enjoyed seeing the wood transformed into beautiful pieces of art in kitchens and baths. He also helped his dad in the construction of new homes. He was a perfectionist and wanted things to be right.

Larry and Linda relocated from Mt. Holly NC to San Antonio TX in April 2016. He wanted to live in a warmer climate and San Antonio fit the bill. Larry loved his new home and wished he and Linda had relocated years ago. Although he was not able to experience the Riverwalk, the Alamo and downtown San Antonio firsthand he was able to do a windshield tour of those sites and the surrounding area. He happily experienced the 7 town Christmas light tour in 2015. Because of his illness he was always in and out of the hospital. He was part of the family at North Baptist Central Hospital. Everyone knew him and loved him even on his most cantankerous days.

Larry became ill in 1999. He was initially diagnosed with Transverse Myelitis. A year later the doctors decided he had Multiple Sclerosis. He was treated for MS until 2010. At that time, doctors decided that he had Parkinson's disease. Two years ago through testing and physical exams it was determined that Larry's illness did not present as Parkinson's disease however, presented as an anti-immune disease that affected his neurological system. Regardless of what name or label the doctors put on Larry's illness he suffered mightily through the years. He went from being a strong healthy independent man to a frail man. Through it all he remained positive and loved those around him. He will be missed but it brings great comfort knowing that he is no longer a prisoner to a bed. We love you Larry and are grateful that you are happy and healthy in heaven watching over us.

