



## Ralph McMahon Cooper III

April 1, 1967 - September 27, 2022

Ralph McMahon “Buddy” Cooper III, 55, of Gilmer, was born April 1, 1967, and passed from this life on September 27, 2022, in Gilmer, Texas. Memorial service for Buddy will be held 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm, Sunday, October 30, 2022, at the Church of the Nazarene located at 3295 SH 155 S, Gilmer, Texas.

Arrangements are under the direction of McWhorter Funeral Home.

Buddy proudly served our country in the United States Army.

Those left to cherish his memory are his children, Ralph McMahon Cooper IV, Joanie Cooper, Victoria Petro, and Bethany Cooper; mother, Ada Cooper; father and stepmother, Ralph McMahon Cooper II and Brenda; siblings, Tammy Cooper, Barry Cooper, Steve Cooper, Becky Hogue, and Taylor Cooper; and numerous grandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

Please visit Buddy’s online registration book at [www.mcwhorterfh.com](http://www.mcwhorterfh.com) to leave a memory for the family.

# Previous Events

## Service

OCT **30**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Gilmer-Church of the Nazarene  
3295 TX 155  
Gilmer, TX 75645

# Tribute Wall

LS

“Buddy and I have been friends since I was 9 and he was 10...We met at church when our Father's were stationed in San Diego...We always remained close...He was the most caring person I have ever known...Buddy always put others in front of himself...We talked about our lives and what would happen if one of us were to pass on...We said not to worry as we would know the other was okay and we would know where they were...One of us just got there first...I will forever be grateful to have known you and to have called you Friend...Rest Easy Buddy...We will see each other again...Save my seat and will forever miss you down here...Your oldest friend in this life...We did 45 years of Friendship...Thank you for coming to Tennessee to surprise me for my 50th Birthday...I love you forever and a day Ole Friend 💙



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Libby Ogle Skidmore - October 27, 2022 at 09:59 PM

LB

Buddy, it is a God-given privilege that I was allowed to know you these last few years. I am glad you came to First Baptist Church, Gilmer. We often sat on the same pew. At times your hip would not let you maintain a sitting position, therefore you stood by the wall at the rear of the Sanctuary. Our Heavenly Father, through your example, helped me to see the value of not being a complainer--not complaining about pain, problems, money, wants, needs, or whatever comes my way. I'll look for you and find you when I cross over to the other side. Your friend, Lewis Bishop

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Lewis Bishop - October 29, 2022 at 09:27 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ralph McMahon Cooper III.*



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October 26, 2022 at 08:41 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ralph McMahon Cooper III.*



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October 17, 2022 at 03:11 PM



“ *When Buddy lived with us on the farm he was always playing with the animals. He loved the little baby goats* 🤍🕊



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**Brenda Cooper** - October 05, 2022 at 04:41 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Prayers for all Buddy's family and friends.*



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**Linda Shaw Bond** - October 05, 2022 at 03:15 PM

CC

“ *Buddy ....Ralph was a great friend known him since high school, he was always there for anyone anytime. So cheerful and funny, had the biggest heart and loved being in the military. Ralph served his country and was so proud of the years he had put into his career. I will miss you Buddy we had some great times...so glad I have the memories to carry me until I see you again fly high*



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**Cristina Chandler** - October 05, 2022 at 11:37 AM

CJ

“ *Ralph, Brenda, & Family: We are so sorry for your loss. You are in our prayers and thoughts.*

*Prayerfully,*

*Charles & Charlotte Johnson*

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**CHARLES & CHARLOTTE JOHNSON** - October 04, 2022 at 10:09 AM