



Stephen "Pete" Chandler

August 11, 1940 - May 18, 2025

Graveside services for Stephen "Pete" Chandler, 84, of Gilmer, Texas, will be held at 10:00 am, Friday, May 23, 2025, at Sunset Memorial Park with Brother Madison Caffey officiating. The family will receive friends 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, Thursday, at McWhorter Funeral Home.

Pete was born on August 11, 1940, in Shelby County, Texas to Sam Henry Chandler and Reba Arethella Wagstaff Chandler, and passed from this life on May 18, 2025, in Gilmer, Texas.

Pete proudly served his country in the United States Navy. He worked 28 years at Upshur Rural Electric Co-op as a lineman before retiring.

Those left to cherish his memory are his daughter, Tina Robertson (Roy "Buddy"); son-in-law, Mark Shrewsbury; brother, Paul Chandler; grandchildren, Nathan Robertson, Justin Robertson, James Shrewsbury, and Kasey King; great-grandchildren, Mark Netherland, Paetyn Netherland, Avery Shrewsbury, Emily Shrewsbury, Olivia Robertson, and Josey Shrewsbury.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Mary Carolyn Chandler; daughter, Stephanie Shrewsbury; siblings, Alice Muril Chandler, Sidney Chandler, Peggy Sanders, Donald Chandler, Herman Chandler, and Carol Smith.

Please visit Pete's online registration book at www.mcwhorterfh.com to leave a memory for the family.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Memorial Park

1582 US Hwy 271 S
Gilmer, TX 75645

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **22**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

McWhorter Funeral Home
1074 St. Hwy 300
Gilmer, TX 75645
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Graveside Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ *It was a pleasure to know and work with Pete. Love and prayers for all.* ”

Sandy Wilson - May 23, 2025 at 09:07 AM

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“ *Tina, Paul, Mark and all Pete’s family and friends, I am sorry for your loss. I have many fond memories of growing with the Chandler family. Pete was always very nice and friendly. May God grant you peace and comfort for the lonely days ahead.* ”



Linda Shaw Bond - May 22, 2025 at 01:21 PM



“Pete is my cousin and close friend. His mother was sister to my great grandmother. Over the years we were fortunate to have developed a good close friendship and family bond. We spoke daily and always found something to not only talk about but to always laugh about. Years ago, one of my favorite stories he told me was when I asked him how he got his nickname Pete? He laughed and said because of an A**. I said, “Oh, please do explain this one?” He said, “Well as a child living in Aiken we had a neighbor farmer with two donkeys one was named Pete (he started laughing, then I started laughing, we eventually recovered and composed ourselves for him to continue) He says, I used to cross the farmers field to pester the farmer and his donkeys, eventually the farmer started calling me Pete too, the nickname stuck.” There was more to it but how he told the story was hilarious. His laugh was infectious (I can hear him now). Pete was a very special, important, kind, and considerate person to me. I loved him dearly and will beyond words miss him. He will forever live in my good thoughts, memories, and heart. Everytime I see a hummingbird I will think of him and smile. My deepest sympathy and condolence to all, I am sorry for your loss.

Rhonda Thomas - May 21, 2025 at 11:23 AM

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“CT and Helen (In Heaven) purchased the Grand Meat & Cheese Gift Crate for the family of Stephen "Pete" Chandler.



CT and Helen (In Heaven) - May 20, 2025 at 03:57 PM



“ *Rhonda Thomas lit a candle in memory of Stephen "Pete" Chandler*



Rhonda Thomas - May 20, 2025 at 02:54 PM



“ *Pete was like a brother to me - we always got together when in Texas to fish, hunt arrow heads, swap stories, have a cup of morning coffee or maybe have a brew. He was the greatest guy and a true friend - a person with a kind heart willing to help anyone. He always called my wife Helen on her birthday one day after his, she knew he would call and always looked forward to them. They can share them together now in heaven.*

C T DeCuir (brother-in-law) - May 20, 2025 at 02:53 PM