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Rancher and humanitarian, Kenneth Wayne Stolte, age 88, passed away on Saturday, December 10, 2016 surrounded by family at the Metropolitan Methodist Hospital, located in San Antonio, Texas. He was born on November 2, 1928 to the late Bodo Edward Stolte and Paula (Kunde) Stolte on November 2, 1928 in Cibolo, Texas, Guadalupe County.

Kenneth attended the Lower Valley School in Guadalupe County from grades 1 through 5. His family moved to the Nell Community of Live Oak County in January of 1941. He attended Nell School and then Pawnee High School where he graduated in 1945 at the age of 16. After two years of college at the age of 18, Kenneth taught in Fashing, Texas in Atascosa County. He graduated from Southwest Texas Teachers' College in San Marcos in 1949 with a Bachelor of Science degree. In the fall of 1950, he taught and coached in Three Rivers, Texas.

Kenneth proudly served in the United States Army with the 40th Division and 224th Regiment during the Korean War from 1951 to December 1952.

On May 24, 1953, he married Theresa Goynes in the St. George Catholic

Church in George West, Texas.

Kenneth served as a high school coach and then as the high school principal for Freer ISD from 1953-1969. During this time, he completed his Master's Degree at Texas A&I in 1957.

In 1969, he and Theresa moved their family to Victoria, Texas where Kenneth was employed as the Social Studies Supervisor with Victoria ISD. They were members of Our Lady of Victory and Holy Family Catholic Churches. Before retiring from public school, he taught in San Antonio ISD from 1985-1987. After retirement from public school, he taught at Sacred Heart Catholic School in Del Rio, Texas.

During Kenneth's off-time he enjoyed spending time with his family. He loved taking them with him on hunting and fishing trips. Kenneth will always be remembered as a gentle and loving husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather.

He was preceded in death by his parents, infant daughter, Marilyn Jean Stolte, and son, John Patrick Stolte.

Family members honoring Kenneth's memory include his beloved wife of 63 years, Theresa Stolte, their children, grandchildren and greatgrandchildren: son, William Stolte, grandchildren: Brandon Stolte, Christina Stolte, Lacey Stolte, and Chelsea Stolte, their mother, Cathy Stolte, grandchildren: Christopher Canal and Bianca Canal, their mother, Milena Canal; son, Robert Stolte, grandchildren: Monica Stolte Tompkins and husband Shane Tompkins, and Mandy Stolte daughter, the late Marilyn Jean Stolte; son, Edward Stolte and wife Brenda Blaschke Stolte, granddaughter, Roxanne Persinger and husband Nathaniel Persinger; son, Kenneth Stolte, Jr. and wife Connie Janak Stolte, grandchildren: Alicia Stolte, Daniel Stolte, Matthew Stolte; daughter,

Tracie Stolte Massey and husband James Massey, grandchildren: Darryl Vaughn and wife Samara Vaughn, Desiree Vaughn, Joseph Vaughn, and Rebecca Vaughn, Glennis Massey Katzmark and husband Andrew Katzmark, Kristen Massey Woods and husband Andrew Woods, Shannon Massey Searcy and husband Marcus, and Callie Massey; the late John Stolte and wife Theresa Chambers Stolte, grandchildren: Brent Waldrep and wife Liz Strawn Waldrep, and Brandy Chase. Kenneth's great grandchildren: Addie Tompkins, Floyd Tompkins, Bella Stolte, Ruth Persinger, Anna Rose Persinger, Kelby Stolte, Nadia Vaughn, Connor Vaughn, Reese Woods, Finley Woods, Chassidy Searcy, Marcus Searcy, Jr., Geneva Searcy, Tré Searcy, Mary Searcy, Tyler Waldrep and Natalie Chase; Kenneth is also survived by one older brother, James Clyde Stolte and wife, Leola of New Braunfels, Texas.

A Mass and Holy Rosary are scheduled for Wednesday, December 14, 2016 at 2 p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Father Pius Ezeigbo as the officiant. Following the Mass, visitation will be held at Trinity Mortuary located in Del Rio, Tx from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The Stolte family will continue visitation at Roberson Funeral Home located in Three Rivers, Texas on Thursday from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. A Mass of Christian burial will be held on Friday, December 16, 2016 at 11 a.m. at St. George Catholic Church in George West, Texas. Following the Mass, interment will be held at the Gussettvile Cemetery in George West. Full military honors will be rendered by the United States Veterans Burial Association of Alice, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, the Stolte family requests that donations be made to the John Patrick Stolte Community Center, C/O Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 307 E. Losoya St., Del Rio, Texas 78840.

Cemetery Details

Gussetville Cemetery

Gussetville, TX

Tribute Wall



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“ so saddened by this as a great uncle and aunt he and aunt Theresa lived far enough away that all i really knew of them was memories of long past family reunions and hearing others mentioning them in stories and I so love to hear the stories of all my kinfolk. I had the pleasure of making my own little story w uncle Kenneth and Aunt Theresa a couple years ago when we spent the night w them out at there beautiful home in del Rio they were such gracious hosts while me and some of my aunts continued an all but lost tradition of "sisters day" (so glad they let me tag along) a thing that I believe aunt Theresa had started anyway Uncle Kenneth was wearing a Korean War veterans cap and i asked him about it and when I had said "yeah it's the forgotten war" as do many know nothing of it its been mostly forgotten by Americans these days. he replied w "well i havent forgotten it." and smiled he knew I I hadn't meant anything ugly at all by what I said then he told the sweetest story about meeting)"the prettiest girl in Live Oak County" and prettiest he had ever seen at a USO dance in Three River, Texas it was so beautiful the way they looked at each other w a flirty smile and a wink and I for one will cherish just this tiny lil blip of a memory forever. rest in peace Uncle Kenneth.

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