



Wayne Clifton Boucher

August 2, 1943 - January 28, 2026

Wayne Clifton Boucher passed away peacefully on January 28, 2026 at home with his family by his side. He was born on August 2, 1943, in Kingsville, Texas, to Delwyn and June Boucher. He grew up in Corpus Christi, Texas, spending cherished summers with his grandparents in Commerce, Texas. He graduated from Miller High School and proudly enlisted in the U.S. Air Force. After four years of service, he returned home to Corpus Christi and began working as a shift work operator at the Kerr McGee refinery, where he spent his entire career, proving that loyalty and grit were not just words to him. Wayne met the love of his life, Nadine Stacy, and they married in 1972. Together they built their home on Lake Corpus Christi, where they raised three semi beautiful daughters and created a lifetime of stories, some appropriate for public sharing and others best left lakeside. Wayne was a hard worker who could fix just about anything, mechanical or otherwise, and if he could not fix it, he could usually rig it well enough to last forever. He spent countless hours on their lakefront property building a massive bulkhead, a workshop, and an expansive garden that reflected his love of creating things with his hands. An entrepreneur at heart, Wayne developed several mobile home parks. He was also a talented artist, well known among his coworkers for his sharp wit and funny, satirical sketches. Music was one of his great joys, especially traditional country, and he was an avid karaoke crooner, locally famous as “Cowboy Wayne” with a loyal following that somehow extended all the way to Phoenix, Arizona. Wayne loved Irish whiskey, spicy food, and fishing, famously landing

54 and 63 pound catfish on his trotlines. He taught many people to water ski and believed the best skiing happened at dawn, when the lake was like glass. He was strict but fair, yet endlessly funny, deeply loving, and tender when it mattered most. Wayne retired at the young age of 56, but his most important work came next as a full time caregiver to his beloved wife during her battle with cancer. As with everything in his life, he did so with patience, devotion, and compassion. After Nadine's passing, Wayne embraced the open road, purchasing a motorhome and traveling between Minnesota, Arizona, and Texas. After 15 years of nomadic living, he settled in St. Augustine, Florida, near his daughter Trudi, who became his rock and primary caregiver during his courageous battle with Parkinson's disease. Wayne was preceded in death by his wife, Nadine; his father, Delwyn; his mother, June; his sister, Nita McNeal; and his grandson, Colton Lamm. He is survived by his sister, Melissa Porter (Clayton); his children, Trudi MacMillan (Scott), Traci Johnson, Lauren Sorell (Marty), and Craig Higdon; his grandchildren, Farron Davis (Paul), Nicholas Higdon (Shannon), Kayla McCaslin (Trey), Brady MacMillan, Kelcie MacMillan, Brittany McLaren, Timothy Perttula, Lamar Perttula, and Ashley Carmona; and seven great grandchildren. A private family service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Parkinson's Foundation.