



## Earl Wayne Stroup

April 24, 2021

Earl Wayne Stroup, 80, of Midland, TX passed away on April 24, 2021, at his home in Midland, Texas.

Earl was born February 14, 1941, to Earl and Polly Stroup and grew up in Burlington, Iowa. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in 1959. He completed boot camp in Oceanside, California at Camp Pendleton and went on to begin a 24-year career with the Marines. Earl did 3 tours in the Vietnam War, earning him several medals, including 2 Purple Hearts. He temporarily retired from the USMC as an E-7 Gunnery Sergeant while he'd been stationed in Midland, Texas in 1979 and ran the Toys for Tots program for several years. He then joined the Midland Police Department for about 6 years before moving over to the Midland County Sheriff's Office under Sheriff Gary Painter. Earl and Gary had also served together in the Marines during Vietnam. Earl married Christene Powers on November 1, 1989. He retired from MCSO in February of 2011 as Patrol Lieutenant.

Earl is survived by his wife, Chris; four daughters, Evelyn Yoxtheimer (Rob) of Midfield, Suzie Lewis (Ruben) of Van Vleck, Teresa Ricketts of Lubbock, and Megan Stroup (Kenneth) of Midland; seven grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by one grandson, Kevin Yoxtheimer, and his parents,

Earl Newlon and Evelyn Pauline (Dowell) Stroup.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, April 29, 2021, from 6-8 PM at American Heritage Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, April 30, 2021, at 11:00 AM with burial immediately following. All arrangements are entrusted to American Heritage Cemetery Funeral Home Crematory.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **29**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

American Heritage Funeral Home  
4100 N FM 1788  
Midland, TX 79707  
(432) 563-9767  
info@thehealingstartshere.com  
<https://thehealingstartshere.com>

## Funeral Service

APR **30**. 11:00 AM (CT)

American Heritage  
4100 N FM 1788  
Midland, TX 79707  
bekah@thehealingstartshere.com

## Interment

APR **30** (CT)

American Heritage Cemetery  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Earl Wayne Stroup.*



April 29, 2021 at 10:07 AM



“ *I will always remember Mr Stroup for being a kind but strict dad. Being one of Teresa's best friends growing up, I got to see all the sides. One sure thing was he loved his kids. We had long talks about life and he always had good advice no matter where I was in my life. I'm so sorry that he's gone. RIP Mr Stroup*

**Charisa Campbell** - April 28, 2021 at 09:41 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Earl Wayne Stroup.*



April 28, 2021 at 06:34 AM



“ *I Am So Sorry To Learn About (Earl Stroup)Passing ,When I First Stared Working At Dillard's, I Saw Earl As A Strict Man.But As Time Went By I Learn That He Was The Kindest Person. I Will Never Forget The Advice He Gave Me.About My Life.My Condolences To His Family 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏*

**Sylvia Rodriguez** - April 27, 2021 at 09:14 PM

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*I'm so sorry to hear that Earl has passed away. I had not seen him in many years but, always remembered him. He was a great man and always very nice to me and my family and I will never forget him. May he rest in peace and may the perpetual light shine upon him. My deepest condolences to his family.*

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**Marissa Lara Hernandez** - April 28, 2021 at 11:46 AM