

Jack Newton Needham Sr.

December 26, 1950 - March 9, 2024

“The” Jack Newton Needham, Sr. was born in Dallas, Texas on December 26th, 1950, to E. W. Fenton and Lew Del (Sullivan) Needham with six older siblings, as his little brother and lifelong sidekick, Joe, had not yet arrived. He passed from this life surrounded by loving family on March 9th, 2024.

Jack married the love of his life, Sophia K, on May 7th, 1970, 10 days after their first date and were blessed with almost 54 years together, 3 kids, 8 grandkids, and 2 great-grandkids. If there was an adventure to be had, Jack was all in. If there was fun to be had, Jack was all in. He was the gadget guy. If there was the newest toy or tech, Jack was all in. From Mustangs to Corvettes to a Ferrari, if it had a gas pedal and could take off fast, Jack was all in. His love of life, his wife, and his family were a huge part of him. Sneaking off to Vegas with his brothers or his mom and having to call home and explain he wouldn't be home for dinner may have happened more than once. He got along with just about everyone he met and ranks high on the list of greatest salesmen because he was genuine. He truly enjoyed helping people and watching other people be successful. He was a great father and grandfather whose kids never doubted his love or their importance to him. His son may be named Jack Jr, but all his kids have been accused at one time or another of being a “Jack Junior.” He taught them to love life the way he did, to do whatever you did with your whole heart. He and Kay taught them to play hard, work hard, and to love even harder. Jack came from a long line of

entrepreneurs and was himself one. He was an entrepreneur who never stopped thinking of ways to tweak the direction of the different businesses he was involved in to make them better. Who says a carpet store can't sell drapes, blinds, ceiling fans, or go karts? Or, let's just add a whole new dimension and start roofing, thus launching one of, if not the, original storm chasing families that has been referred to as roofing royalty. One thing was constant with Jack, he always did it his way, unless, he could be convinced to do it Kay's way, which did happen on occasion. Jack was a master pool player, golfer, loved to bowl and go fishing, play darts, basketball and softball and was an avid fan of the Cowboys, Rangers, Mavericks, and Stars.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Fenton and Lew Del; father-in-law, William Lee; brother, Gerald Needham; sister, Joan Grubbs and husband Roy; sister, Reva Harris and husband Eugene; sister-in-law, Patricia Needham; brother, Jim Needham and wife Nita; brother-in-law, John Lee; niece, Debbie Grubbs; nephews, Joe Harris, Ricky Grubbs, Craig Needham, Floyd Harris, Robert Puzzo, and John Lee Jr; great-nieces, Laura Sheree, Ashlie Smith, Kaylee Miller; and great-nephew, Vincent Perez.

Jack is survived by his wife of 54 years, Sophia K; his daughter, Julie K. Needham; his son, Jack Needham Jr and wife Amanda; his daughter, Jessica Rivera and husband Jesse; his grandkids, Alexandria, Andrew and wife Savannah, Jack III, Dylan, Libby, Arysa, Lilyana, and Isabella; his great-grandkids, Brandyn and Amelia; his sister, Jynnifer Mosley and husband L.G.; his brothers, John Needham and Joe Needham; his sister-in-law, Mary Talbert; his brother-in-law, Ken Lee; and a plethora of nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews and folks that just became family, of which there is an abundance.

The family will receive friends from 3:00pm to 7:00pm on Friday, March 15, 2024 at Byrum Funeral Home Chapel. A celebration of Jack's life will be at

1:30pm (Needham Standard Time) on Saturday, March 16, 2024 also in Byrum Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow at Edgewood Cemetery, Lancaster.

Cemetery Details

Edgewood Cemetery

695 Nokomis Road
Lancaster, TX

Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..*



March 19, 2024 at 04:01 PM



“ *Tommy Tidmore, Troy and Mona Puckett planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jack Newton Needham Sr..*

Tommy Tidmore, Troy and Mona Puckett - March 15, 2024 at 06:00 PM



“ *Tommy Tidmore, Troy and Mona Puckett purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..*



Tommy Tidmore, Troy and Mona Puckett - March 15, 2024 at 06:00 PM



“ *Robert Rice and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..*



Robert Rice and family - March 15, 2024 at 05:00 PM



“ Kathy Morris planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jack Newton Needham Sr..

Kathy Morris - March 15, 2024 at 03:53 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..



March 15, 2024 at 03:53 PM



“ Catherine and Rolando Leal planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jack Newton Needham Sr..

Catherine and Rolando Leal - March 15, 2024 at 01:26 PM



“ Catherine and Rolando Leal purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..



Catherine and Rolando Leal - March 15, 2024 at 01:26 PM

JM

“ We will miss you Capt. Jack! You were a special man. Love - The McLamore Family



JB & Andie McLamore - March 15, 2024 at 12:23 AM

JD

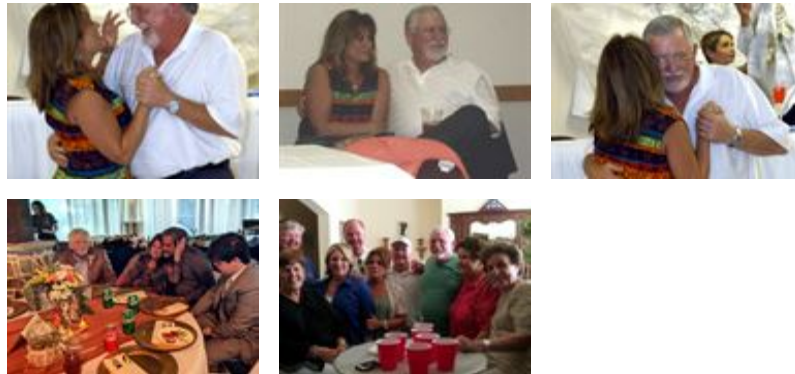
“ Jenna & Dakota purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..



Jenna & Dakota - March 14, 2024 at 08:37 PM



“ 151 files added to the album LifeTributes



Byrum Funeral Home - March 14, 2024 at 07:12 PM

RJ

“ Robert Morris Sr & Jr purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..



Robert Morris Sr & Jr - March 14, 2024 at 05:52 PM

SB

“ Back in 1969 Jack had a dark green Mach 1 and he and I along with Robert Morris all got in and had nowhere to ...we were broke. The Medallion Theatre was a one screen large theatre when it opened on October 30, 1969 with "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid". I called my dad and ask if he wanted to go with us to see it as long as he paid ..so we stopped by and picked him up and made one more stop at a trinity river beer store along the way over. We still low on funds could only afford 2 quarts of beer one for the front to share and one for me and my dad in the back In line Dallas Cowboy Dan Reeves and Walt Garrison were in front of us...great movie. We had a great night back then ..just one of so many I shared with my great friend Jack. You were our leader Jack and what a ride it was...RIP Mr. Needham you did good

Steve Baker - March 14, 2024 at 04:42 PM

RM

“ Randy, Amanda, Michael and Mason planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jack Newton Needham Sr..

Randy, Amanda, Michael and Mason - March 14, 2024 at 04:35 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..*



March 14, 2024 at 04:35 PM



“ *Love Ronny, Nancy & Family purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..*



Love Ronny, Nancy & Family - March 14, 2024 at 12:41 PM



“ *Steve, Val, Josie & Charlie planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jack Newton Needham Sr..*

Steve, Val, Josie & Charlie - March 14, 2024 at 10:43 AM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..*



March 14, 2024 at 10:43 AM

MF

“ Matt, Deb, and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jack Newton Needham Sr..

Matt, Deb, and Family - March 13, 2024 at 05:48 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..



March 13, 2024 at 05:48 PM

JF

“ Jynnifer Harris and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jack Newton Needham Sr..

Jynnifer Harris and Family - March 13, 2024 at 03:55 PM

JF

“ Jynnifer Harris and Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..



Jynnifer Harris and Family - March 13, 2024 at 03:55 PM

LJ

“ Love, Ben, Scott, Deann, and Jessica planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jack Newton Needham Sr..

Love, Ben, Scott, Deann, and Jessica - March 13, 2024 at 02:56 PM

LJ

“ Love, Ben, Scott, Deann, and Jessica purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..



Love, Ben, Scott, Deann, and Jessica - March 13, 2024 at 02:56 PM

LD

“ Laura and Della purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..



Laura and Della - March 13, 2024 at 12:59 PM

CJ

“ Connie Johnson purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..



Connie Johnson - March 13, 2024 at 12:45 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..*



March 13, 2024 at 12:04 PM



“ *Love, Tom and Vicki Villani planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jack Newton Needham Sr..*

Love, Tom and Vicki Villani - March 13, 2024 at 12:04 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..*



March 13, 2024 at 11:50 AM



“ *Dale & Tina Coleman planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jack Newton Needham Sr..*

Dale & Tina Coleman - March 13, 2024 at 11:50 AM

CK

“ CLIFF JIMMY KEITH AUSTIN DEBBIE KELLY planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jack Newton Needham Sr..

CLIFF JIMMY KEITH AUSTIN DEBBIE KELLY - March 13, 2024 at 11:37 AM

CK

“ CLIFF JIMMY KEITH AUSTIN DEBBIE KELLY purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..



CLIFF JIMMY KEITH AUSTIN DEBBIE KELLY - March 13, 2024 at 11:37 AM



“ Island Memories Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Jack Newton Needham Sr..



March 13, 2024 at 10:47 AM