



## W. R. Sonny Isbell

August 15, 1931 - October 28, 2015

William Riley "Sonny" Isbell of Jacksboro, Texas was born on August 15, 1931 to William Weslie "Willie" and Zella Caldonia (Rumage) Isbell in Chico, Texas. He passed away on Wednesday October 28, 2015 in Jacksboro, Texas. He was 84 years old.

Sonny was a self-employed pumper. He married Vernell Lovett on December 14, 2009 in Jacksboro. He served his Lord faithfully at Bible Baptist Church as a deacon for over 10 years. But most importantly he was a loving husband, brother, father, grandfather and friend.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his first wife Peggy Isbell, brothers K. B., Jerry and Cecil Isbell and sisters Eula Mae Collom, Florance Frazier and Ardath Frazier.

Among those who will cherish his sweet memory include his wife Vernell of Jacksboro; his daughter Gloria Ann Isbell of Jacksboro; grandson Dax Hampton and wife Hillary of Runaway Bay, Texas; great-granddaughter Olivia Madeline Hampton; brothers Allan Isbell and wife Patty, Claude Isbell and wife Rudene and Lloyd Isbell and wife Mary all of Jacksboro; sisters Thelma Beasley and husband Milton of Memphis, Texas and Jolene McBee of Ventura, California and many other extended family members and friends.

If so desired memorials may be made to:

Christian Missions Church

2381 U S Hwy 380 W

Jacksboro, Texas 764548

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

145 Oakwood Avenue  
Jacksboro, TX 76458

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **30**. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Coker Funeral Home  
152 State Hwy 148  
Jacksboro, TX 76458  
(940) 567-3778  
[info@cokerfuneral.com](mailto:info@cokerfuneral.com)

## Church Service

OCT **31**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Christian Missions Church  
2381 Hwy 380 W  
Jacksboro, TX 76458

# Tribute Wall



“ *W. R. Sonny Isbell*

October 09, 2023 at 04:16 AM



“ *W. R. Sonny Isbell*

January 28, 2023 at 12:10 PM



“ *Jim Whitsitt lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell*



**Jim Whitsitt** - November 19, 2015 at 02:04 PM



*Sonny was one of the nicest men I have ever known and he raised a beautiful and dear friend of mine...Gloria. May God be with this wonderful family during this time.*

**Jim Whitsitt** - November 19, 2015 at 02:06 PM



“ *John & Juanita Damron lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell*



**John & Juanita Damron** - November 05, 2015 at 09:42 PM

PH

“ *Paula And Richard Harleypaulah lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell*



Paula and Richard Harleypaulah - November 04, 2015 at 09:04 AM

Jl

“ *Uncle Sonny surprised me with a call one night when mom was sick. He said he just wanted to check on me and make sure I was ok. We talked about every other day while mom was in the hospital and even after she went home. The last time we did talk I thanked him for keeping me in the loop since I was so far away. He laughed a little and said "Its my job, im the oldest in the family and its my job to make sure everyone is taken care of". One sweet and loving man. Love you*



Judith Isbell - October 30, 2015 at 05:14 PM

JM

“ *Judy \$ Bill McRoberts lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell*



Judy \$ Bill McRoberts - October 30, 2015 at 11:34 AM

PA

“ Pat Allen lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell



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**Pat Allen** - October 30, 2015 at 11:11 AM

LS

“ Linda Duggan Stringfellow lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell



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**Linda Duggan Stringfellow** - October 30, 2015 at 08:10 AM

DH

“ Christmas was always my grandfather's favorite holiday. Even in the middle of the summer he would remind me how many days until Christmas was here. Every Christmas when I would go down to the creek in the middle of the night so many lights would be on their house it would look like daytime! I can honestly say even if he wasn't my grandfather, he is by far the best person I've ever known or been involved with. I have many wonderful people in my life but I owe all of my success in my professional career to him. Thank you Pop for being such an amazing person and always being there for me. I love you with all of my heart and I'm happy you are at home with Nana. You are without a doubt one of a kind and they broke the mold when God made you. Thank you so much for helping me become the person I am today. I love you pop...

*P.S. I still have the Christmas candles you bought when I was 6 or 7 years old. They still work!!! Can't wait to see you again.*



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**Dax Hampton** - October 29, 2015 at 11:02 PM

AK

“ Ann Yoder Kimbrough lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell



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**Ann Yoder Kimbrough** - October 29, 2015 at 10:56 PM

Vicki  
Fenter  
Bean

“ Vicki Fenter Bean lit a candle in memory of  
W. R. Sonny Isbell



Vicki Fenter Bean - October 29, 2015 at 10:32 PM

CC

“ Carolyn Corder lit a candle in memory of W.  
R. Sonny Isbell



Carolyn Corder - October 29, 2015 at 08:53 PM



“ Reisha Horn lit a candle in memory of W. R.  
Sonny Isbell



Reisha Horn - October 29, 2015 at 07:57 PM

DK

“ Debbie King lit a candle in memory of W. R.  
Sonny Isbell



Debbie King - October 29, 2015 at 07:30 PM

HS

“ Heather Simpson lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell



Heather Simpson - October 29, 2015 at 02:58 PM

JM

“ Jr & Melba Mower lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell



Jr & Melba Mower - October 29, 2015 at 02:57 PM

TH

“ TJ Hart lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell



TJ Hart - October 29, 2015 at 02:31 PM

JW

“ James And Jannie West lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell



James and Jannie West - October 29, 2015 at 01:51 PM

DP

“ Donna Jo Plaster lit a candle in memory of W.  
R. Sonny Isbell



Donna Jo Plaster - October 29, 2015 at 01:11 PM

JM

“ James Marshall lit a candle in memory of W.  
R. Sonny Isbell



James Marshall - October 29, 2015 at 11:39 AM

BD

“ Bobby Damron lit a candle in memory of W.  
R. Sonny Isbell



Bobby Damron - October 29, 2015 at 09:48 AM

GF

“ George Fulbright lit a candle in memory of W.  
R. Sonny Isbell



george fulbright - October 29, 2015 at 04:45 AM

PH

“ *Paula And Richard Harley lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell*



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**Paula and Richard Harley** - October 29, 2015 at 12:41 AM

GS

“ *Gary, Martha And Yancey Southard lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell*



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**Gary, Martha and Yancey Southard** - October 28, 2015 at 11:04 PM

RW

“ *Roni Winters lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell*



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**Roni Winters** - October 28, 2015 at 11:03 PM

BI

“ I have always been a Pittsburg Steelers fan, and of course Uncle Sonny was a die hard Cowboys fan. As a kid, we would sometimes go to Uncle Sonny's to watch the two teams play each other. As long as the Cowboys were winning, I'd get to stay inside and watch the game. However, when the Steelers were winning, Uncle Sonny would make me go outside because he couldn't stand my cheering for the Steelers. Uncle Sonny was one of the most gentle men I've ever known. I look forward to seeing him again in Heaven.



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**Brian Isbell** - October 28, 2015 at 10:18 PM

BH

“ Bruce, Theresa & Blake Hesteande lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell



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**Bruce, Theresa & Blake Hesteande** - October 28, 2015 at 10:15 PM

BH

*Sorry to hear of Sonny's passing. Such a nice man. Will be keeping his family in our thoughts and prayers today and all the days ahead.*

*Marie Williams*

*Bruce, Theresa & Blake Hesteande*

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**Bruce, Theresa & Blake Hesteande** - October 28, 2015 at 10:18 PM

HH

“ *Uncle Sonny was the kindest man I knew! As a little kid I remember him always smiling, whistling and making sure we always had a piece of candy! Uncle Sonny you will truly be missed... Rip.... we love you.. Love, Hagane, Phillip and the kids...*



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**Hagane Harden** - October 28, 2015 at 10:02 PM

AA

“ *Ann Amburn lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell*



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**Ann Amburn** - October 28, 2015 at 08:45 PM

PH

“ *Uncle Sonny is one of the most caring, gentle men that I have ever known. I have loved him & I am so grateful to have had him in my life. I remember him telling me when I was very young that if I ever needed him, to let him know. He was there many times when I needed him as he was for so many people.*



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**Pamela Harris** - October 28, 2015 at 08:05 PM

SK

“ *Sandy Mustin Kirkland lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell*



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**Sandy Mustin Kirkland** - October 28, 2015 at 07:58 PM

SK

*In loving memory of one of the best men I've ever known.*

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**Sandy Mustin Kirkland** - October 28, 2015 at 08:00 PM

JM

“ *Jr & Melba Mower lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell*



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**Jr & Melba Mower** - October 28, 2015 at 07:06 PM

DK

“ *Debbie King lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell*



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**Debbie King** - October 28, 2015 at 07:05 PM

GK

“ *Gayla Kinder lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell*



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**Gayla Kinder** - October 28, 2015 at 06:44 PM

TM

“ *Terry Martin lit a candle in memory of W. R. Sonny Isbell*



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**Terry Martin** - October 28, 2015 at 06:26 PM