



George Bryan "The Frog" Eaton

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LONGVIEW - A Celebration of Life Service will be held in honor of George Bryan Eaton, 76, of Longview, at Rader Funeral Home Chapel on Monday, May 1, 2017 at 2 PM, with his family officiating. Interment will be at Dallas Fort Worth National Cemetery. Mr. Eaton entered glory on Wednesday, April 26, 2017 at Longview Regional Hospital.

Bryan was born to William and Lottie Noel Eaton on December 2, 1940 in Henderson, Texas. He is preceded in death by his father and mother, his 2nd father Lloyd Duncan, and his brother, William J. Eaton.

Referred to as "larger than life," Bryan "The Frog" Eaton lived life to the fullest. He graduated from Lee High School of Baytown, Texas and joined the United States Army in June 1959 and served in Ludwigsburg, Germany for 18 months, and later during the Berlin Crisis at Fort Polk, Louisiana. He was honorably discharged as a Rank Specialist 5 Class. In his words: "very proud I served."

Bryan married the love of his life, Barbara Phillips, on August 17, 1964 and together they have two children, April Lynn and Bryan Calvin.

Bryan was a born salesman – an award-winning employee of Samuels Strapping, from which he retired in 2009. He developed friendships with his colleagues and clients, which continued until his death. There is little doubt that his big heart impacted every person around him. He never met a stranger.

He loved spending time with those he loved in the outdoors, especially the Buffalo National River and Gulf Shores, Alabama. He enjoyed many canoe trips with his closest friends, David Lancaster and Sam Cameron. After his retirement, he loved cooking his famous breakfasts for his grandchildren, setting up "camp" for the entire family during trips to the beach, enjoying



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Caribbean cruises with his wife, and making sure everyone present saw the brighter side of life, which came naturally to him.

He leaves behind his one and only, his wife of 53 years, Barbara Eaton; his daughter, April Eaton Moreton, son Bryan C. Eaton and their spouses, Sam Moreton and Holly Eaton, respectively. Cherishing their Papa Frog's memory are five grandchildren: Sophia Eaton, Asher Moreton, Ava Moreton, Brock Moreton, and Scarlett Moreton. Bryan also leaves behind two nephews, Curtis Eaton and Joe Paul Eaton, and one niece, Sherry Crochet.

He is and was a presence in our family that will never be replaced. Rest in peace, Papa Frog.




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Memorial Service

 **Monday**, May 1, 2017

 2:00 PM CT

 **Rader Funeral Home of Longview Chapel**
1617 Judson Rd, Longview TX 75601





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GS

Glenda Stewart posted:

Barbara, Bryan and April, I never got the pleasure of meeting your Frog in person, but I knew him thru my boys, who spent so much time in yalls back yard, playing ball! Darrell said he saw him in Nov. when he did some plumbing for yall. . Jay drove down your street the day he passed and wondered how Mr. Eaton was doing. They thought he was a great man and loved the neighborhood get together at your house for old time memories. I am so sorry for your loss and you will all be in my prayers. May God give you peace and comfort in all the good memories! You will see him again! Glenda Stewart and the Stewart family from Skyline Dr.

May 2 at 11:49 AM

AM

April Moreton October 21 at 6:43 AM

Thank you, Stewart Family. Your words are touching and comforting.

BE

Barbara Eaton October 21 at 6:28 AM

Thank you Glenda, beautiful memories.

HC

Harold & Linda Collins posted:

We lived behind Frog and Barb for about 18 years. At the memorial yesterday there was a young lady who spoke of living across the street and how Frog would stand in the front window and flash his stomach. Harold and I got the same thing only from the back yard. Harold planted a garden every year and Frog would come to the fence every day and tell Harold not to pay any attention to him....he was just shopping. I remember when Barb was planting her wild flower garden and I told her that I knew of some place that she could get some more plants...Frog told me to just keep my mouth shut that he could not understand why a "person would plant weeds but that's my Barb" We have fond memories that we will keep of Frog and appreciate the years we lived close. Our kids all played together between all the back yards. I pray for the peace of God that passes all understanding for this sweet family. Barb we love you and we know that you will have to find a new normal for yourself without the Frog but treasure all your memories and know that one day you will see him again. He is most assuredly flashing that belly at Jason and telling him how he knows he wishes he could have one too. We love you all!

May 2 at 2:32 AM

BE

Barbara Eaton October 21 at 6:32 AM

Miss you guys, always look to "your" house as I walk my dog.



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Tucker posted:

Bryan "Frog" was a one of a kind, larger than life person that will be missed by us all. I am sad that it has been so long since I have seen him or visited with you Barbara. We had some wonderful, crazy times together "Back in the Day." Please know that we love you and would be honored to do anything for you in the days to come. You and your family are in our prayers. May the PEACE of GOD be with you, Barbara.Tucker

May 1 at 4:54 AM

BE **Barbara Eaton** October 21 at 6:31 AM
Thank you Tucker



Anonymous sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Eaton family.



April 30 at 6:59 PM



Anonymous sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Eaton family.



April 30 at 4:36 PM



Anonymous sent a Crystal Cross Bouquet to the Eaton family.



April 30 at 12:41 PM



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MM

Mary Manley lit a candle in honor of George.



April 30 at 5:23 AM

BE

Barbara Eaton April 30 at 3:56 PM

Thank you so much Mary! He thought the world of you. You made out last trip so enjoyable taking care of Mr. Boomer Eaton.

MM

Mary Manley April 30 at 5:28 AM

Barbara I am so sad and sorry for your loss. Frog was a great friend to me and many others. He lit up a room no matter where he was and brought joy to many. He will be missed greatly. You and family are in my prayers.

RK

Ruth Kay posted:

Barbara, I am so sorry about your loss. We had so many wonderful visits when Bryan would come in Albertsons to shop. He was so kind-hearted and was always smiling. It was always a pleasure to assist him. Please know my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Your friend, Ruth Kay

April 29 at 3:39 PM

BE

Barbara Eaton April 30 at 3:59 PM

Thank you Ruth

RT

Royse & Marti Thigpen posted:

Our hearts are broken at the death of Frog!! He was a wonderful man we loved being around him from the minute we met him. We will miss him so very much. Our love goes out to Barbara, April, Sam, Asher, Ava, Brock & Scarlett, and Bryan, Holly & Sophie! God bless you all at this difficult time!! Royse and Marti Thigpen

April 29 at 1:28 PM

BE

Barbara Eaton April 30 at 4:00 PM

Thank you guys, look forward to seeing you.



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TA

Toby & Eleanor Abney posted:

Our Prayers are with you. We Pray the Lords riches blessing come to you. God Bless.Toby & Eleanor

April 29 at 11:47 AM

BE

Barbara Eaton April 30 at 4:00 PM

Thank you, good to hear from you.

CL

Carol Lucas posted:

There was never a man that lived life so large, loved so many and gave so much. He was quick to tell a Beaudreaux joke but even quicker to tell you how much you were loved and valued. His hugs would leave a wonderful feeling that lasted for hours. God made only one G Bryan the Frog and even though we will miss him, his memories and stories will last forever. It's not goodbye my friend, it's "I'll see you in Heaven"

April 29 at 11:14 AM

GB

Gerald Burns posted:

Frog: I never got the chance to meet you, but feel like I know you... thru Facebook. This life has ended, but the best one has just begun for you. I look forward to meeting you in Heaven, sometime in the near future. You have left a great family, for which you are surely proud. But, you have joined a new family of many of our mutual brothers and sisters. I am sure they welcomed you with open arms. Please know that Pat and I will keep an eye on those here in Siloam that you have left behind. We will continue to pray for their comfort, wellbeing, and safekeeping! You served well and God's grace has shown brightly. Take care and I am sure you will leave a light on for us! BDOP

April 29 at 10:15 AM

BE

Barbara Eaton April 30 at 3:57 PM

Thank you Darla, we must meet.

DG

Darla Grimm April 30 at 4:03 AM

Praying for the whole Eaton/Moreton family. My heart is with you



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Charles Albert posted:

We lost a good man yesterday. Bryan Eaton was my neighbor growing up here in Longview. Mr. Eaton was/is a huge influence in my life. Even as a kid I was obsessed with hunting and the outdoors. While my father was a fisherman, he was not a hunter. Mr. Eaton took on that role, and he and I would hunt together often. He took me hunting countless times, more than I can remember. We would wake up early in the morning, climb into his truck or his Gran Torino and drive out to the woods. I would be so excited that I couldn't sleep, and he knew it. If we were supposed to leave at 4, he knew I would be sitting in his garage at 3am. He told me so many stories about his life, hunting, where he met his beautiful wife Barbara. We chased raccoons at night, spotlighted them and sold the pelts. He always had a story about the outdoors that would make you laugh. He taught me lessons I've passed down to my kids and other children I have taken hunting through the years. "Don't focus on one spot. Keep your eyes open and you'll see movement" or "they won't come out until you hear the crows in the morning" while squirrel hunting. As a kid I was nervous in the dark woods at night. There was a sense of comfort knowing that he was somewhere in the woods near me. He smoked back then when we hunted, and i remember the sense of comfort when I would see him light one 50 yards away. I knew I wasn't alone. His eyesight was incredible, the only thing that surpassed it was his shooting ability. I swear he was the best shot I have ever seen to this day. He was patient and taught me, would answer the same question over and over. Some of my fondest childhood memories are from this man. I guess the last time I saw him was maybe 5 years ago and I was feeling down. I went to visit and an hour later I was filled with hope, smiling and laughing from the memories we shared. Godspeed Mr. Eaton. I wish we had gone on a few more hunts together. I'll see you on the other side.

April 28 at 7:08 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Eaton family.



April 28 at 1:03 PM



Dan, Karen, And Emma Moreton sent an Arrive in Style to the Eaton family.



April 28 at 9:56 AM



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April 28 at 7:08 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring George by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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