

Billy Wayne (Bill) Hayes went to be with his Lord on Sunday morning September 24, 2023, at his home after a long battle with Parkinson's.

He was born in Hamilton on December 3, 1944. He grew up in the town of Energy TX, and in May 1963 graduated from Gustine ISD. On September 7, 1963 he married his high school sweetheart, Carolyn Jean Rinehart, a loving union of 60 plus years.



He was a Vietnam Veteran, serving with the 1st Platoon of Bravo Company, 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 50th Infantry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile), where he was awarded The Purple Heart for wounds received in Combat in November of 1967

He was buried in DFW National Cemetery, Section 29, Site 863, on October 5, 2023, with honors, in a private ceremony.

