



Jackie Ray Narrell

December 22, 1944 - July 11, 2025

Jackie Ray Narrell, a dedicated educator, beloved coach, and cherished family member, passed away on July 11, 2025, at the age of 80. Born on December 22, 1944, in Loraine, Texas, to E. A. "Cub" and Judy Narrell, Jackie's life was marked by a profound commitment to his family, his students, and the game of football.

Jackie's educational journey began in his hometown, where he graduated from Loraine High School. He continued his studies at McMurry University, preparing for a distinguished career in education and athletics. On December 22, 1967, Jackie married the love of his life, Denise. Their bond was a cornerstone of his life until her passing.

Jackie honorably served his country in the Army from 1968 to 1970. Upon his return, he embarked on a remarkable career as a high school football coach, dedicating 28 years to shaping young lives on and off the field. For 23 of those years, he served as a highly respected head football coach, amassing an impressive record of 155 wins, 86 losses, and 4 ties. His coaching pinnacle came in 1984, when he led Medina Valley High School to a State Championship, a testament to his ability to inspire his players. Upon retirement he enjoyed watching nieces and nephews play volleyball, football, baseball, track, and lacrosse.

After the passing of Jackie's wife, Denise, he followed through on a desire they both had to escape the cold Texas panhandle winters and he moved to Bonita Springs, Florida where he spent his remaining days playing golf and being with family.

Jackie was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Denise Narrell; his brother, Bill Narrell; his sister-in-law, Evelyn Narrell, brother-in-law, Fred Nebrig; and his nephew, Dean Nebrig.

He is survived by his loving sister, Virginia Sue Nebrig; his brother, Garland James Narrell; and his devoted nephews and nieces: Kenneth Nebrig, Marylin Beckmann, Brad Narrell, Britt Narrell, Pam Perkins, and Eric Narrell. Jackie's legacy of leadership, passion, and unwavering dedication will forever be remembered by his family, former players, and all who had the privilege of knowing him.

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“ I had the privilege of playing for Coach Narrell on his 1984 State Championship team. But prior to that he was my freshman American History teacher. He always had a fire in his eyes but he also was a fair man. His intensity was especially visible on Fridays. As far as football, he had a knack for putting the right people in the right places. His leadership and commitment projected to his team and we took that grit and determination and parlayed it into a Championship. The lessons I learned from Jackie I apply every day to my football team and my Algebra students. Rest easy Coach...

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