



## Bobby D. French

May 29, 1952 - March 2, 2023

Bobby Dean French, 70, of Corsicana passed from this life on Thursday evening March 2, 2023. He was born in Dallas, Texas to Billy Dean and Juanita Branham French on May 29, 1952. Bobby was a loving husband and father as well as a natural jokester and always had you laughing with his stories and jokes. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. He loved preparing for each new hunting season. Many times, he would comment to his wife how much he just loved sitting in his deer stand and enjoyed watching all of nature in their habitat. He loved his rock 'n' roll music, especially the Beatles. He could hear a song on the radio and tell you exactly who sang it, definitely a real music man. He also loved dancing and his Harley-Davidson motorcycle. Bobby spent the majority of his working career in the machine shop business and was well known for his crankshaft grinding and engine building abilities. He was also involved with the family "Explorer Boats" business for many years while residing in Dawson, Texas. He valiantly fought for his life when diagnosed with cancer in 2009 and was still successful remaining cancer free when he had his last oncology checkup 3 days prior to his death.

Bobby is survived by his wife of 45 years, Sharon French, and their two children Julie and son-in-law Kenny Stallings, and son Brian French; one granddaughter Mia Campbell, who was T-Paws pride and joy; brothers Ronald Wayne French of Alabama and Glenn French & wife Kris French of Silver City, Texas; brother and sister in-laws Leonard & Kathie Piel of Arlington, Kathy & Buddy Abbott of Jacksonville, Texas along with numerous nieces and

nephews. Bobby was preceded in death by his parents Billy and Juanita French along with his in-laws Arthur and Lydia Piel.

Bobby will be dearly missed by his loving companion dogs, Biggie and Coco as well as family and friends. He truly gained his Harley wings.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, March 11, 2023, at 2:30pm in the Chapel at Griffin - Roughton Funeral Home.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAR 11. 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM (CT)

Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Corsicana  
1530 N. 45th Street  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Bobby D. French*



Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home - March 09, 2023 at 03:53 PM



“ *Bobby D. French*

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Bobby D. French.*



March 10, 2023 at 08:45 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bobby D. French.*



March 10, 2023 at 03:03 PM



“ 11 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home** - March 10, 2023 at 11:52 AM



“ *Faith Lutheran Church Members purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Bobby D. French.*



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**Faith Lutheran Church Members** - March 10, 2023 at 10:03 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Bobby D. French.*



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March 10, 2023 at 09:07 AM



“ 2 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home** - March 09, 2023 at 03:46 PM



“ 70 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home** - March 09, 2023 at 12:02 PM



“ *Gale Schmidt purchased the Simply Elegant Spat hiphyllum for the family of Bobby D. French.*



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**Gale Schmidt** - March 08, 2023 at 07:25 PM

GA

“ Gale lit a candle in memory of Bobby D. French



Gale - March 08, 2023 at 07:15 PM

GS

“ Bobby you will be missed by all. Anytime that you were around we never knew what to expect you to say but always knew to expect something. You never disappointed. Your kindness to Gary once Gary's Parkinsons Disease had progressed so far stole my heart. Rest in peace cuz.

Gale Schmid-t - March 08, 2023 at 07:12 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bobby D. French.



March 08, 2023 at 05:38 PM

KT

“ The last time I saw my cousin Bobby was at our Uncle Billy Lee's funeral. I got stuck in traffic and was late. I was running to the door and waved at him. He said STOP, get back here and give me a hug. I will miss you Bobby and I regret not spending more time with you.



Kelli Todd - March 08, 2023 at 04:48 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Bobby D. French.*



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March 08, 2023 at 11:18 AM



“ *Shelly Matthews Kendall sends condolences out to the family*

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**SHELLY KENDALL** - March 06, 2023 at 08:39 PM



“ *Marsha Taylor lit a candle in memory of Bobby D. French*



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**Marsha Taylor** - March 06, 2023 at 01:17 PM