



## Bruce Bryson

September 28, 1951 - March 20, 2012

Bruce Wayne Bryson was born on September 28, 1951 in Corsicana to Duane and Joy Astin Bryson. He took the "Ultimate Journey" on March 20, 2012 after a life-long battle with cystic fibrosis with his family around him. He was preceded in death by his father, Duane Bryson and his childhood friend Randal Hunnicutt. He was a member of the Methodist Church. He is survived by his wife Sharon; mother, Joy; brothers, Mark and wife Sherrie; sons, Jeff Branam and wife Julie, Rondi Bryson and daughter Dana Smart. He has seven grandchildren, Katy, Megan, Erin, Sierra, Kristin, Kayla and grandson Scott. Two great grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews. He will be greatly missed by his favorite "sister" Judy Sills and long time dear friends Ed Donahue and Jason Matous. Visitation will be Thursday, March 22, 2012 from 6-8pm at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home. Services will be 2:00pm Friday, March 23, 2012 at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Eddie Ricks officiating. Burial will follow at Lake Chapel Cemetery in Fairfield. Pallbearers will be Ed Donahue, Gary Nease, Jerry Davis, Jed Donahue, Danny Hendrix and Jason Matous. Honorary pallbearers will be Larry Carr, Euin Frank and Buddy Caton.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bruce Bryson*

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *I was so sorry to learn of Bruce's death. I have only seen him from time to time around town but I remember some fun times that were had with him and Randall. I know now that Bruce is once again having a great time with Randall. My condolences go out to his family and friends.*

**Debbie Lake** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sharon, Rondi, Joy, Mark and Family,  
I am sorry to hear of your loss, a loss for everyone who knew him. Most of my young memories are sprinkled with sweet memories of Bruce. He was a wonderful, constant friend. His laughter, playfulness and heart of gold will live forever in those who love him and those he loved.  
Please accept my deepest, heartfelt sympathy. May you find comfort in your loving memories, and knowing he touched many.*

**Patti Chancelor Cooper** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Everytime I saw Bruce, no matter how he was feeling, he always had a smile on his face and a kind word to say.  
I will miss that so very much.  
Most sincere prayers to his family,  
Liz Watkins*

**Liz Watkins** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ *Bruce Bryson*

Lee Littrell - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Blanche Pipkin - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *Sharon we are so sorry for your loss,we know you will truly miss Bruce,he was such a nice and friendly guy.Always could make you laugh.You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.Hold onto your memories and he will be near to you always.*

Danny&Brenda Davis - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the entire Bryson family. Bruce was a terrific person. He will be missed by everyone. Rest in Peace Bruce.*

Debbie McCoy - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ *Rondi - We are so sorry to hear about your dad. I knew him and your Bryson grandparents. Losing a parent isn't easy, but I hope you'll be comforted by the memories of him. Remembering you in thought and prayer.*

*Marinelle*

Marinelle Kesinger Szenasy - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Bruce and I were only acquainted at school but I was thought a lot of him. My deepest sympathy and prayers go out to his family.

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**Lynn Hitt** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Bryson family,  
All of my sympathies and heartfelt sorrow. Bruce was one of those 'rare' individuals, whom I am 'honored' to have called 'My FRIEND'. He always had a smile, a laugh, a grin, an easy going, uplifting nature. I cannot recall of a single time in the 50+ years that I knew him, that he ever had a negative or bad thing to say or do to another person. Now "fun" or "pranks" or something to make you smile . . . SURE . . ALL the time. That's what we all loved about Bruce. He made you smile.  
My friend, you're suffering no longer. Rest in peace. We'll just have to continue spreading those smiles around here . . . until we meet again. Your friend, Brian McDaniel

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**Brian A. McDaniel** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ I am so sorry for your loss. May God be with you and your family during this difficult time. You are in my prayers.

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**Shana McCollum Baker** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ Sharon,

*Bruce was a full spirited guy with a great personality. Larry and I are going to miss him.*

*It just want be the same without Larry telling me about Bruce's latest adventure at Baylor Hospital.*

*Just know we are only a phone call away.*

*Carolyn*

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**Carolyn Carr** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GO

“ You willbe missed!

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**Gary & Patty Oliphant** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PD

“ I AM SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOST, I WILL BE PRAYING FOR THE FAMILY.BRUCE WILL BE MISSED BY MANY. HE WILL ALWAYS BE IN OUR HEART. PDEEDS (CNB&T)

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**PEGGY DEEDS3** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PD

“ SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOST, BRUCE WILL TRULY BE MISS BY MANY. GOD BLESS THE FAMILY. PDEEDS (CNB&T)

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**PEGGY DEEDS** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ Lots of great memories from knowing Bruce while attending Memorial Baptist Church as a young adult. He and Phil Ferguson were good friends. May God comfort you during this time and rejoice he is at home now.

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**Shirley Hunter Donnerstag** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Bruce was truly one of a kind. His wit and cheerful attitude will be missed. The barber shop will carry on the fascinating memories he leaves behind. God bless the family at this time.

Rickey Hickson - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ So sorry for your loss

Rodney and Debbie Coppock - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Bruce was a fun guy. I talked to him a year or so ago at my cousins funeral. He could make you laugh. Keep him alive in your many fond memories.  
So sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you.

Karen Russell Summers - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ Sharon, Mark and all the family, there are no words to say to ease your pain right now. I want all of you to know that Bruce was the best friend anyone could ask for. He and my brother Mike were longtime buddies and whenever they were together, it was like two children playing. They could not talk fast enough and tell enough stories. Our prayers are with you and hope that time will help heal your pain. Please know that Bruce was truly "One of a Kind".

John & Sharon Johnson - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ So sorry for your loss. Thinking & praying for the family.

Judy Russell Averitt - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ Mark I am so sorry for yourm loss. When I saw Bruce he always had smile and a joke to tell no mather how how he felt. He had a wonderful attitude and many wonderful friends. Thank you foe being my feiend all these years.. My thoughts and prayer are with you and your family.

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**Gowan Murphy** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ So sorry to hear about Bruce. I always enjoyed talking to him and hearing about his latest trip to Las Vegas. I will miss him terribly. My thought's and prayers are with his family.

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**TIM WATTS** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ I am very sorry to hear of Bruce's Passing. He was a good man. The family has my sincere condolences.

Respectfully,  
C.D. (David) Lipscomb

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**C.D. Lipscomb** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ You could always count on a good joke from Bruce! He always had a kind word and that beautiful smile and laugh. Today Joy and I talked about him for a long time - she will miss him terribly. I pray for peace and comfort to Sharon, the kids, grandkids, Joy and Mark and Sherrie.

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**Karen Fate** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ My heart breaks for you all right now, I know the loss you feel so well. Time really does help ease the pain. God has received a True Angel now, Heaven shines a little bit brighter now. Sharon I am so glad you found Bruce and had the beautiful relationship God gave you both. I always thought it was so awesome that you found each other. I loved to come in the Aprl. Office and see you both and see what New Car ya'll would be sporting... It was always a cool one too!!! (And Fast Too). I have cherished our friendship over the years. I want to share a poem with you...

GOD SAW YOU GETTING TIRED  
A CURE WAS NOT TO BE.  
SO HE PUT HIS ARMS AROUND YOU  
AND WHISPERED, "COME WITH ME"  
WITH TEARFUL EYES WE WATCHED YOU  
AND SAW YOU FADE AWAY.  
ALTHOUGH WE LOVED YOU DEARLY  
WE COULD NOT MAKE YOU STAY.  
A GOLDEN HEART STOPPED BEATING  
YOUR TENDER HANDS AT REST.  
GOD TOOK YOU HOME TO PROVE  
HE ONLY TAKES THE BEST...

And he did...

God Bless You All...

Turn to all of your Family and Friends for support and comfort to get you all through the days ahead. Mark my heart goes out to you on the loss of your brother. I know how hard it has been on you too. All our love to you all...

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**Diane Douglas** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

YV

“ Joy and Mark, I am so sorry to hear of Bruce's passing. You and your family are in my prayers at this sad time.

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**Yvonne Vinson** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PD

*“ I AM SO SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR LOSS. BRUCE WILL BE MISSED BY MANY, HERE AT THE COMMUNITY NATIONAL BANK & TRUST. GOD BLESS THE FAMILY. LOVE P.DEEDS*

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**PEGGY DEEDS** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SA

*“ I have always enjoyed the times spent with Bruce at Jerry's Cut Above talking politics. He was someone I would seek advise from when making the many decision I faced at city hall.*

*Great Man and a Great Friend.*

*I miss you already, Bruce! May God Bless you the peace and happiness of his kingdom. Save us all a place and we will see you soon.*

*Respectfully  
Stephen G. Andrews*

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**Stephen G. Andrews** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PG

*“ We were so saddened to hear of your loss and pray that you are comforted by your special memories of Bruce. May God hold you close during this very difficult time. Our love to your family.*

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**Paul & Paula Gillen** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EO

“ Joy my heart goes out to you and your family. Dwayne prayed many a prayer for me, now I pray for you, God Bless You

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**Elizabeth Owens** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FC

“ May God Bless and Peace Be With You and family.

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**Frank Commiato** - March 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM