



## David Brown

August 31, 1936 - April 5, 2018

David Brown was born August 31, 1936 in Wills Point, Texas to Furman And Velma Wade Brown. He moved to Dallas when he was 8 years old. He passed away April 5, 2018 at his home in Navarro Mills, Texas. He was preceded in death by his father, Furman Brown in 1947 at the age of 37, David was just 10 years old, and his mother, Velma Wade Brown in 2002 at the age of 88.

David was a hardworking man his entire life. His first real job was building fences with Lone Star Fence where he worked for about 3 years making \$ 1.35 an hour. In 1958 a friend told him he could get him on at FSOLDT Construction Company starting at \$1.75 an hour so David went to work there. He said, "man I'm going to be rich". That is where David started his long career in the Crane industry where he retired in 1998 from Davis Crane after 35 dedicated years. In 1998 David bid and supervised a job in downtown Dallas that was for Southwestern Bell. Two (2) cranes were used and they simultaneously lifted generators weighing around 85,000 pounds up to the top of a 12-story building. Later one of the owner's sons said to Larry while looking at pictures at David's retirement party "That was definitely a David Brown job". "He's the only one who could have figured that job and done it right".

David loved fishing, golf and coon hunting. He was an avid catfisherman and one heck of a coon hunter! He could handle his dogs and knew when they

had a coon treed. And he never once got lost.

David was very supportive of his 3 children, Cindy, Larry and Mindy (Melinda Lou). He loved softball and coached Mindy for many years taking his teams to numerous tournaments and winning but highlighting their years of softball with 2 state tournament championships in San Antonio and Grand Prairie.

In 1996 David moved back to the country where he felt at home. On January 31, 1997 he married Cynthia Sublett Brown and they both met their matches (in more ways than one).

Cynthia has taken great care of David since day one, showing everyone her true love for him. In their beginning David had an old backhoe he used to piddle around his land with. One day he nonchalantly said I sure wished I had a bigger tractor. A few days later he comes in from work and here sits a new Massey Ferguson tractor! Cynthia wanted David to be the happiest man because he made her happy. He said he learned quick to keep his mouth shut!!

David came down with Lymphoma Cancer in 2014 after an attack of yellow jackets. He'd been trimming a tree and didn't see a huge yellow jackets nest. He had knocked his hat off and they stung him too many times to count. The doctor said that it stunned his immune system which allowed the cancer the opportunity to attack. When it was confirmed David said, "well I've lived a pretty good life". Cynthia said "Oh no sir. You aren't giving up like that. I married you for better or worse and to have more years with you than this MR"!! So, they buckled down and Cynthia found the best doctors and they fought it. David was cancer free after a year and was back to being his active self. Then in June of 2017 David suffered a massive heart attack and Cynthia once again showed her love. She was on the phone calling everyone that was needed to save him while she was giving him nitro and loading him in the car (knowing an ambulance wouldn't get there in time). Cynthia has taken great care of David because she truly loved him as he loved her. In November of 2017 David noticed the cancer coming back and said he was just too tired.

Cynthia and all the kids weren't wanting to hear that but understood. David fought the good fight and is now with his mother and father in heaven.

David is survived by his wife, Cynthia Brown; his 3 children, Cindy Burgwin, Larry Brown and Mindy Fogg and her husband David; his step-daughter Marie (Della) Bianicci; six (6) grandkids, Jennifer Davis, Ashlea Thach, Tasha Bell, Brittany Cockerham, Joshua Brown and Marissa Brown; one Step-grandson, Brandon White; four (4) great grandkids, Lexie Thach, Laney Bell, Chainey Cockerham and Blane Bell; three (3) grandsons-in-law, John Bell, Chad Cockerham and Vu Thach.

Visitation will be Sunday, April 8, 2018 from 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home.

# Previous Events

## Family Visitation

APR 8. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Corsicana  
1530 N. 45th Street  
Corsicana, TX 75110  
(903) 874-4774  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *David Brown*

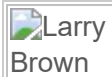
October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of David Brown.*



April 07, 2018 at 12:34 PM



“ *1 file added to the album David Brown*



**Larry Brown** - April 06, 2018 at 10:17 PM



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**Larry Brown** - April 06, 2018 at 10:12 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of David Brown.*



April 06, 2018 at 08:41 PM



“ *Sarah, Shannon, Denise, Tina, Judi, Dede, Ruth, Kim purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of David Brown.*



**Sarah, Shannon, Denise, Tina, Judi, Dede, Ruth, Kim** - April 06, 2018 at 04:44 PM



“ *From Davis Crane purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of David Brown.*



**From Davis Crane** - April 06, 2018 at 02:21 PM



“ *Don and Rebecca Fechtman purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of David Brown.*



**Don and Rebecca Fechtman** - April 06, 2018 at 12:56 PM

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“ *with deepest sympathy, Gamblin Gypsy Ladies Crew purchased the Divine Light for the family of David Brown.*



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**with deepest sympathy, Gamblin Gypsy Ladies Crew - April 06, 2018 at 10:36 AM**

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“ *from your friends, Gamblin Gypsy Ladies Crew purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of David Brown.*



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**from your friends, Gamblin Gypsy Ladies Crew - April 06, 2018 at 10:26 AM**