



David Weatherford

September 17, 1950 - March 13, 2006

Services for David Dale Weatherford, 55, Tyler, are scheduled for 10:00 a.m., Thursday, Mar. 16, 2006, at the Chapel of Green Acres Baptist Church with Dr. David Dykes and Dr. Steve Kern officiating. Burial will be in Clark Cemetery near Lone Star under direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home. Mr. Weatherford passed away Monday, Mar. 13, 2006 in Tyler. He was born on Sept. 17, 1950 in Pittsburg. David lived in the Northeast Texas area all of his life. He was an active member of Green Acres Baptist Church. He served in the choir, as a Sr. Adult Sunday School teacher, and was very active in foreign missions. He was an ordained deacon. He was also an active member of the Tyler Chamber of Commerce. He will be remembered as a loving husband, father, grandfather, son, and Christian friend. He was preceded in death by father, Cecil Weatherford in 1980 and father-in-law, Doyle Pankey in 2000. David is survived by his wife of 28 years, Celia Weatherford of Tyler; sons, Jamie Weatherford and wife Laura of Tyler and Ashley Weatherford of Tyler; one granddaughter; mother, Evaleen Weatherford of Tyler; mother-in-law, Marquita Pankey of Lone Star; several nieces and one nephew. Pallbearers will be Jimmie Windle, Steve Cooper, Keith Pennington, Darrell Allen, Wiatt Warren and Steve Hardin. The family will receive friends from 5:30-8:00 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorials in honor of Mr. Weatherford may be made to Green Acres Baptist Church Missions Ministry, 1607 Troup Hwy., Tyler 75701.

Tribute Wall

MS

“ We are sorry for the loss. David helped me with the Research of the Starr Family tree and the information he had aided me in gaining more of the Starr history. We talked together and Emailed each other. David was one that was willing to help others and share his Faith. May God help each of you through this time.

Michael & Kang Starr - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ Jamie,
My deepest sympathy to you and your family on your sudden loss. I really enjoyed working with David on the Chamber of Commerce directory and will miss him. He was very creative and talented. Please know that you all are in my prayers during this difficult time.
Gillian Brasfield

Gillian Brasfield - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Celia, my heart breaks for you and your sons and know that I love you dearly as you have been such a blessing to me. Anything that I can do, I am as close as the phone or e-mail. and please do not hesitate to ask.

My prayers and thoughts are with you the next couple of days and then in the future also.

Love Mary

Mary Howard - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ i love you more and more everyday and miss you more than words can describe. i have learned in the past few months that faith is not belief without proof but trust without reservation. thank You Father God for blessing me with such a great teacher and father on this earth. i love you dad. until the end, i will love you. you're son, david ashley weatherford

David Ashley Weatherford - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ Jamie - Clay and I were very sorry to hear about your dad. Our thoughts & prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. Please call or email if you ever need us.

Kelly Smith Lester & Clay Lester - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ My thoughts are with you during this difficult time.

Lea Ann Williams-Munkres - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ Dear Jamie,
I'm so sorry about your Dad. You and your family have been in my thoughts and prayers. Please write me when you get a chance. I would love to hear from you. Lots of love, Amy

Amy Main - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ David was a very special person to me. He was a dear friend and a constant encouragement to me. He was a wonderful servant in the church and to the community. He will be greatly missed. All my love to this precious family.

Your friend,

Ronnie Lawson

Ronnie Lawson - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ To: Celia, Ashley, Jamie and family

I was totally shocked and saddened by his passing. I could not believe it was true. I cried for many days for the loss of my close friend and business partner. We are working together on a China project. He is a so godly man and trustworthy friend. We have known each other for more than 4 years. He is so talented and capable for many things. I am proud of being his friend. I keep praying for you to overcome this difficult time. Whenever you need help, please always count on me. God bless you! I love you all.

Solomon Hsiung - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ Celia, Jamie, Laura & Ashley:

His passing will be a real loss to all of us who knew him. He was such a special friend with a special love of life. We thought the world of him. You are all in our hearts during this difficult time.

Garrick and Janette Hayes - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ Cecilia, Ashley, Jamie & family. My prayers & thoughts are with you.
God Bless You!

Rebecca Tilley Rau - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Auntie, Celia, Ashley, Jamie and family. I am so very sorry about David's passing. I wish we could be there. David will be missed. Take care and remember ya'll are in our prayers. God Bless you! We love ya'll lots. Marie and Ann

David J. Bibby - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ Celia, you are a dear friend and my heartfelt sympathies go out to you and your family. I didn't know David but a short time but he was always friendly and always had a smile.

Having walked this same road a short time ago, please know that I am here for you to help in any way that I can. I am praying for all of you.

*Love,
Peggy*

Peggy Farmer - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Celia, David must have been thrilled to meet Jesus face-to-face at last. He was such a good and faithful servant to the Lord. Life will be hard for you and your sons to face without him, but it will be such a comfort to you knowing that he is with our heavenly father. I knew Doc for only a short while, but I felt he was a friend. I enjoyed your visit with us in North Carolina last summer and hope you will make the trip again this year. You and your family are in my heart and in my prayers.

Margarett Bevis - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Granny Celia, Our hearts hurt for you at this time, but we know Doc is with the LORD! Our deepest sympathy goes out to you with all of our love. Doc shared the lord with us, and we shared racing with him. Together we had the lord, and racing in our lives that made us have a special friendship. He was our number one fan and always gave us words of strength and comfort no matter what was going on. He lead me to know how to have faith with the lord no matter what was going on in my life! Doc told me what was right, and wrong the most LOVING way anyone could. We will pray for you everyday, and we know that GOD will comfort you, and wrap his arms around you. Granny Celia there is so much I want to say but please remember that we love you, and loved DOC deeply with all of our hearts. I wish I could be there with you, but will see you soon! Be strong, and lean on the lord, he will take care of you. I LOVE YOU, Gaylene

Ashley, Jamie, Laura & Macey, I am so sorry for your lose, and deeply saddened! Doc was very special and we loved him deeply. Please take care of our Granny Celia. We will be praying for yall at this difficult time in your life. We love yall, and send our love! God Bless Yall, Todd, Gaylene & Darby Bevis

Todd and Gaylene Bevis - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Although I met Mr. Weatherford only once, I was left with the sense that this was a man of uncommon intelligence and drive. The light of Christ shined through his encouragement and his warmth.

I share the grief of the family, but I also share the joy of knowing that David Weatherford now resides in Heaven with Our Lord.

David Mahfood - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ My Doc-
The first day I came into this world, you put me in your harms and I feel a sleep. You told me about my little GOD that loved me no matter what, and that I should love him more than anything in this world! We would fall a sleep together while we watch TV, and did not have a care in the world. When I moved to North Carolina you came to see me, and we talk on the phone because the loved we sharded for each other will always be strong. I will still talk to you up above, and I will still call Granny Celia as we always have. Our pictures of each other will be beside my bed because you are my DOC! Thanks for loving me like a grandchild, and telling me about GOD! I will miss you, and love you till I see you agen up above. All my love to Granny Celia, Darby Gail

Darby Gail Bevis - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ our thoughts are with you at this most difficult time in your lives.

sherry watson - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Momma Celia, Ashley, Jamie and Family..... please know our hearts are breaking with yours. What a wonderful man to have known. We are praying for you constantly. May God comfort you and catch every tear that falls. Lean on the faith and the Father during this time and He will lift you up. We love you all and will continue to lift you up daily in prayer. God Bless!
Love, Kenny, Kimberly, Brennan, and Brayden Swann

Kenneth and Kimberly Swann - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ Auntie,

I am sorry to hear about the loss of David. Our thoughts and prayers are with you in this time.

*With much love and prayer,
Beth*

Elizabeth Wilson - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ Dearest family,

It is with great sorrow that I write this. My heart and my prayers go out to you during this difficult time.

*Love,
Barbara*

Barbara J. Long - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

KT

“ MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH THE FAMILY AT THIS TIME.

KATHY TITTLE - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ To the family of David , We love each of you and have ya'll in our thoughts and prayers . Not to long ago we were there with David , Aunt Evaleen , and all of the family , we had a great time and will cherish the memories we shared . David's passing comes as a shock to us as I'm sure you also . God bless and be with you all !! With love,
Bennie, Barbara , Charles & family,
Beckie & son , and Kevin & family

Bennie Starr Family - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ *To the David Weatherford Family:*

Your loss is also our loss, and we are deeply saddened by this news. David will always be remembered as a kind, gentle, happy, and loving family man and devoted friend. We thought the world of him, and we are so fortunate to have enjoyed various family celebrations together. David was multi-talented and used his God-given talents in so many ways to bless so many people. We know that David would want us to rejoice in his 'homecoming' and reunion with his heavenly Father.

Our prayers are with all of you now and in the days ahead as you sense the void in your day-to-day lives. We pray that God will strengthen and comfort you all through the next few trying days and into the coming weeks, months, and years. May God be gracious to you.

We love you all,

Diane & Merritt Johnson, Longview, Texas

Ryan Johnson, Longview, Texas

Angela & John Buttery, Andrew & Heath, Llano, Texas

Marshall Johnson, Los Angeles, California

(March 14, 2006)

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