



Harold Brasfield

February 19, 1930 - March 5, 2007

Memorial services for Harold Allison Brasfield, Tyler, will be held Wednesday, March 7, at 11 a.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 230 West Rusk Street, Tyler, with Dr. Stuart Baskin officiating. A private burial will be held before the service at Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery. After a lengthy illness, Harold passed away Monday, March 5, at East Texas Medical Center. Harold was born to Major and Katie Brasfield on February 19, 1930 in Texarkana, Texas. He grew up in Poynor, Texas. Harold graduated from Orange High School and attended Henderson County Junior College. He received his B. S. degree from East Texas State University in Commerce. Harold was a geophysicist for Humble Oil Company. In 1965, he formed his own company, Brasfield Oil & Gas. He was instrumental in the discovery of many oil fields in East Texas and continued to be very active in the oil business until his death. Harold lived life to the fullest and enjoyed nothing more than spending time with his many friends. He loved to travel and cook. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by his brother, John Brasfield and mother-in-law, Tish Orr. Harold is survived by his loving wife of 17 years, Gillian Brasfield of Tyler; son, Steve Brasfield and wife, Carol of Los Angeles, California; daughter, Pat Bethancourt and husband, Mike of Ingram, Texas; grandson, Matt Bethancourt of Dallas; granddaughter, MacKenzie Bethancourt of Lubbock; father-in-law, Dr. George Orr of Tyler; and brothers-in-law, Andrew Orr and Keir Orr, both of Tyler. Honorary pallbearers are Bill Burney, Glen Cade, Charles Clark, Robert Davis, Tom Denmon, Bob Derryberry, Daryl Derryberry,

Bill Hughey, Rodney Jones, Will Knight, Dale Long, Grady Moore, Wade Ridley, Bill Ross, Doyle Simmons, Buddy Sparkman, Sonny Spradlin, and Bill Thompson. The family will receive friends from 5-7 p.m., Tuesday, March 6, 2007, at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway, Tyler. Memorials in honor of Harold Brasfield may be made to Children's Advocacy Center of Smith County, 2210 Frankston Hwy. Tyler, 75701; Hospice of East Texas, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, 75701; and Stewart Regional Blood Center, 815 Baxter Ave., Tyler, 75701. What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us. Ralph Waldo Emerson

Tribute Wall

CG

“ It has been 17 years since your passing. I think of you often. You Sir, was by far the best Boss I ever had.

Carla Gamblin - April 06, 2024 at 12:09 PM

CR

“ Gillian, I know you are finding comfort in knowing that Harold is with our Lord and Savior and has NO more pain and that one day you will be together again. We will truly miss him as he has been a dear family friend since I was a child.

Much love, Cathy & Steve

Cathy & Steve Ramsey - March 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Our deepest sympathies to Gillian and the entire Brasfield family. Harold--wow, what a fun loving guy! He was quite the character and knew how to live life to the fullest and he did--bravo! He's already in Heaven making people laugh! He will definitely be missed by family and friends, but never forgotten!

Phillip, Liza, and Kai Money - March 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ I am yours forever and I will miss you forever. Thank you for the time we had together. You are a very special person. I love you very much.

Gillian Brasfield - March 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Harold was a great friend and will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of your loss.

*James & Janie Street
Austin, TX*

James & Janie Street - March 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ We were so sad and sorry to hear about Harold. Please know that yall are in our thoughts and prayers.

Danny & Brenda Jones - March 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of loss.

Jennifer Eckles - March 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ Gillian, my thoughts are with you in this moment of time.

Sherry Watson - March 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ *Your love, commitment and friendship is a tribute to your relationship and marriage.*

Gillian, no one could have been more devoted. Your strength, courage, care and patience are to be admired. You are family and we will be here for you -- always.

We will greatly miss our friend Harold -- the twinkle in his eyes; quick wit; sense of humor; constant motion and go - go - go.

Well done good and faithful servant.... Matthew 25:21

*God's Blessings,
Donna and John*

Donna Derryberry and John Havlik - March 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

HW

“ *We would like to express our deepest sympathy in your loss. I know he will be greatly missed.*

Sincerely,

Jo Ann and Harold Wilder

Harold and Jo Ann Wilder - March 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ *His smile will be missed as will his energy, he was a dynamic and charismatic man. People were drawn to him as was I. Harold I will miss you, I thank you for being a friend, I thank you for caring and enriching my life.*

See You Soon,

Your friend, lester

Lester Maxey - March 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ *With sadness we say goodbye to our dear friend, Harold. Knowing he is with our Lord is great comfort. We will forever cherish our memories of him.*

Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you the crown of life. Revelations 2:10

Gillian, we will always be here for you. You are family. Please call upon us to support you in the days ahead.

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose. Romans 8:28

*Love In Christ,
Kathy and Bob*

Bob and Kathy Derryberry - March 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CZ

“ *Rest in peace Harold. You will be missed. God bless you.*

The Zips

Craig Zips - March 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM