



## M. Edward Nolen

August 31, 1946 - February 26, 2024

Ed was born in Dallas on August 31, 1946, to Marvin & Margaret Nolen, and went to meet his Lord and Savior on February 26, 2024. Ed always had a smile and kind words for everyone. He loved his family with all his heart, his family was his life.

Services for Ed will be held Friday, March 1, 2024, at South Spring Baptist Church at 10:00 a.m. with Rev. Pike Wisner and Rev. Chris Legg officiating. The burial will be at College Mound in Terrell, TX. A visitation will be held at Stewart Family Funeral Home on Thursday, February 29, 2024, from 5:00 to 7:00 in Tyler.

Ed loved to be with children, whether it was his children who he cherished or his grandchildren who made him happiest or great-grandchildren who kept him young. Ed loved children. He was active as a volunteer for 21 years and he and Karin were the directors of Royal Family Kids Camp, a summer camp for children in foster care for 15 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Marvin Nolen and Margaret Beavers Nolen, and many aunts, uncles, and cousins. He is survived by his loving wife, Karin Berry Nolen; his 3 children, Debbie Molloy (Brad Beavers), Amy Thompson (Billy) and Mark Nolen (Stephanie); grandchildren, Kirk Molloy (Megan), Kody Molloy (Melissa), Kirsti Teague (Cory), Mallory Thompson

Miller (Andrew), and Mason Nolen; great-grandchildren, Lakyn, Karter & Kadence Molloy, Raylan & Reagan Teague and Kole Molloy; sisters, Dianne Nolen and Jenny Beasley (John); and brother, Don Nolen (Kay); and many nieces and nephews.

If desired, memorials may be made to South Spring Baptist Church for Royal Family Kids in memory of Ed Nolen, 17002 US Hwy 69 S., Tyler, TX 75703 (<https://southspring.org>).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **29**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home  
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy  
Tyler, TX 75703  
(903) 581-2008

## Service

MAR **1**. 10:00 AM (CT)

South Spring Baptist Church  
17002 US 69  
Tyler, TX 75703

## Graveside Service

MAR **1** (CT)

College Mound Cemetery  
7009 County Road 131a  
Terrell, TX 75161

# Tribute Wall

AL

“ Karin, so sorry for yours and Mark's loss. Ed was a kind and devoted man who loved his family and the Royal Family Kids Camp as he was a vital part of its success through the years. He will be truly missed ! My thoughts and prayers are with you , Mark ,and the family during this difficult time. Amye Lynn

Amye Lynn - February 29, 2024 at 07:58 PM

GB

“ Karin, We are thinking and praying for you and your family at this sad time. Ed was a generous and kind friend. God bless you all.

Gwen Bowen - February 29, 2024 at 05:35 PM

RG

“ Ryan Gardner planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of M. Edward Nolen.

Ryan Gardner - February 29, 2024 at 07:53 AM

RG

“ Ryan Gardner purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of M. Edward Nolen.



Ryan Gardner - February 29, 2024 at 07:53 AM

RG

“ Karin,

*I will miss my friend. I wish I was picking him up Tuesday for our Bible study. I will miss his smiling face at Church and RFKC. I will miss teasing him at camp. I will simply miss my friend. I knew I always had a friend to sit by and talk to when I could locate Ed. As sure as I am typing this, I know Ed is in the presence of the Lord. Ed has no desire to come back here.*

*My cousin had brain surgery (pituitary gland tumor) and then blood clots during his visit to my farm this week (at Hendricks hospital now), so I can not leave the farm and come to the funeral. I am praying God wraps you in His arms and love. I know Ed heard welcome home my good and faithful servant. I lost a friend for a little while but a wonderful reunion awaits.*

*Ryan Gardner*

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**Ryan Thomas Gardner** - February 29, 2024 at 07:40 AM

JW

“ Karin, words escape me to express my heart breaking for you and your family. Ed was such a joy to be around and to know. His earthy presence will be missed by all who came in contact with him. I count it a privilege to have been able to call him friend.

*Lovingly,*

*Joanne Williams ( Mom)*

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**Joanne Williams** - February 28, 2024 at 09:18 PM

LB

“ Dear Karin and family our deepest sympathy and our deepest appreciation what you and Ed for your contribution for the foster kids, a love near to my heart as a CPS member ❤️❤️ God's Blessings for what you both have done and the change you may have been, Praise and Prayers for your family Jerry n Lillian Beasley 💕💕💕💕

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**Lillian Beasley** - February 28, 2024 at 04:21 PM

CC

“ Karin,  
I'm praying especially for you, but also for all the family. You and Ed meant so very much to us when you taught the Single Adult Sunday School class at FBC. You also took care of us and ministered to us. I have such good memories of that time. Ed was such a delight and definitely always smiling!

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**Cheryl Campbell** - February 28, 2024 at 01:38 PM

LF

“ Karin,  
I am incapacitated with a broken kneecap at my son's home in Houston... - thus unable to reach out to you in person. I just want to send my condolences to you and tell you in what high regard I held Ed. Such a fine man with a love for children and a smile for all who knew him. You have my sympathy and prayers as you face the days ahead. Love, Linda Fielder

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**Linda Fielder** - February 28, 2024 at 01:36 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of M. Edward Nolen.*



February 28, 2024 at 12:32 PM



“ *Adam and the Sharetec Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of M. Edward Nolen.*

**Adam and the Sharetec Team** - February 28, 2024 at 12:32 PM



“ *Always delightful being around Ed & this picture lights up his & all our lives. Carolyn Halbrooks Bain*

**Carolyn Bain** - February 28, 2024 at 12:27 PM



“ *(Diane Payne & Family) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of M. Edward Nolen.*

**(Diane Payne & Family)** - February 28, 2024 at 12:25 PM



“ *(Diane Payne & Family) purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of M. Edward Nolen.*



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