



Perry Thompson Jr.

October 6, 1938 - February 28, 2025

Services for Perry Thompson, Jr., 86, of Tyler will be held on Wednesday, March 5, 2025, at 2:00 PM at Stewart Family Funeral Home with Reverend Scott Wiley officiating.

Perry passed away peacefully on February 28, 2025, in Tyler. He was born October 6, 1938, in Longview, Texas to his parents Perry Thompson, Sr. and Flora Louise (Moore) Thompson. Perry graduated from Longview High School in 1957 and began working for his father part-time at Perry Thompson Surveying. In 1959, he entered the Corps of Cadets at Texas A&M University. While at Texas A&M, Perry met the love of his life, Carolyn Jannett Sartain. Perry graduated with a Bachelor's of Science in Civil Engineering in the Texas A&M University Class of 1963. Those of you that know Perry, know he is a true testament to the Aggie Spirit. WHOOP!

Upon graduating, he began his professional career as an Engineer for the Texas Highway Department specializing in Bridge and Road Design. In 1972, Perry formed Thompson & Associates, a professional Engineering and Land Surveying firm in Tyler, Texas. As principal and owner of the company, Perry fostered the growth of some of the most respected surveyors and engineers through his company. Many of whom have moved on to continue to uphold the principles to which he instilled in them while at Thompson & Associates, Inc. Perry had a story to tell anywhere he traveled around East and North Texas

about projects he worked on in the past or just good times he had with family and friends.

Perry was active in many organizations and societies throughout his life. Most notably he's a past President of the Texas Society of Professional Surveyors (TSPS), Past President of Tyler Kiwanis Club, Past Lieutenant Governor of Division #34 for the Texas-Oklahoma Kiwanis Foundation, A&M Club, a Director of the Board for UT Tyler College of Engineering, 12th Man Foundation, Champions Council, Texas A&M Foundation, Sharon Shriners and Longview Masonic Lodge #404.

Perry is preceded in death by his parents, Perry Thompson, Sr. and Flora Louise (Moore) Thompson; wife, Carolyn "Jannett" (Sartain) Thompson.

He is survived by his loving family including his daughter Marilyn (Thompson) McKellar and husband, Thomas G. McKellar of Tyler; son Perry Thompson, III and wife, Leslie (Kent) Thompson of Whitehouse, TX; sister, Sandra Sue (Thompson) Sartain of Longview, TX. He was Pop, PaPaw and Paw Paw to grandchildren, Steven J. Freeman, II and wife, LeeAnna of Tyler, TX, Kristopher Freeman and wife, Blaire of Clayton, MO, Kurtis Freeman and wife, Ashley of Fort Worth, TX; Ashley (Thompson) Fettig and husband, Aric of Tyler, TX, Brooke (Thompson) Harris and husband, Tavis of Tyler, TX; Katy McKellar of Tyler, TX and Sarah McKellar of Galveston, TX, along with fourteen (14) great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Steven J. Freeman, II, Kristopher Freeman, Kurtis Freeman, Aric Fettig, Tavis Harris, Alexander Freeman, and Kaden Freeman.

A visitation is scheduled from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 4, 2025 at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway in Tyler.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations to these organizations that were important to Perry; Christus Trinity Mother Frances Foundation, 12th Man Foundation or Surveying Education Foundation of Texas, Inc. (SEFT) at 1595 E. Grande Blvd., Tyler, TX 75703, where Perry was a Life Member.

The family would like to extend great thanks to Perry's longtime office manager and bookkeeper, Donna Allen. Donna, you have become like family and we thank you for the love, loyalty, & respect you have always had for our Pop.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 4. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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

Service

MAR 5. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Perry Thompson Jr.



Stewart Family Funeral Home - March 03, 2025 at 03:18 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Perry Thompson Jr..



March 13, 2025 at 02:42 PM



“ Love Angela & Curtis Strong purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Perry Thompson Jr..



Love Angela & Curtis Strong - March 04, 2025 at 05:46 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



Stewart Family Funeral Home - March 04, 2025 at 01:40 PM

DH

“ *PT ... rest in peace.... dan*

DAN HAMPTON - March 04, 2025 at 12:32 PM

KK

“ *Kevin L Kilgore planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Perry Thompson Jr..*

Kevin L Kilgore - March 03, 2025 at 04:16 PM

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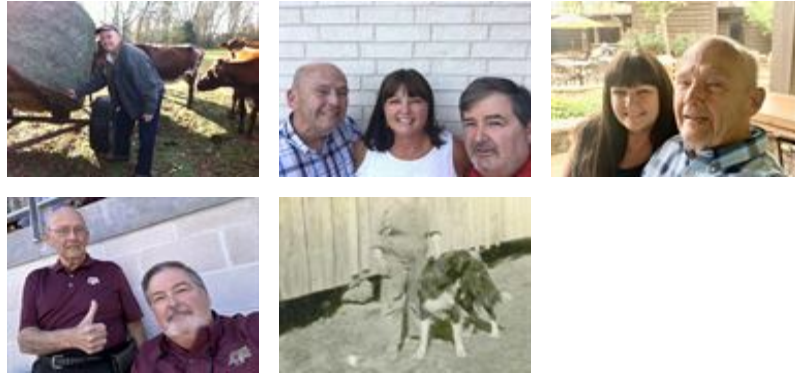
“ *Kevin L Kilgore purchased the *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* for the family of Perry Thompson Jr..*



Kevin L Kilgore - March 03, 2025 at 04:16 PM



“ 74 files added to the album Life Tributes



Stewart Family Funeral Home - March 03, 2025 at 03:15 PM

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“ Sylvia Waters Schronk & Billy Schronk purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Perry Thompson Jr..



Sylvia Waters Schronk & Billy Schronk - March 03, 2025 at 02:34 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Perry Thompson Jr..



March 03, 2025 at 02:08 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Perry Thompson Jr..

March 03, 2025 at 02:08 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Perry Thompson Jr..*



March 03, 2025 at 10:14 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Perry Thompson Jr..

March 03, 2025 at 10:14 AM



“ *Scott, Bennett and Flores families purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Perry Thompson Jr..*



Scott, Bennett and Flores families - March 03, 2025 at 10:08 AM



“ *Dan and Teresa Young planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Perry Thompson Jr..*

Dan and Teresa Young - March 02, 2025 at 09:14 PM

DY

“ Dan and Teresa Young purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Perry Thompson Jr..



Dan and Teresa Young - March 02, 2025 at 09:14 PM

YC

“ Your friends & supper club purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Perry Thompson Jr..



Your friends & supper club - March 02, 2025 at 04:22 PM

JF

“ Jeff & Teri Freeman and Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Perry Thompson Jr..



Jeff & Teri Freeman and Family - March 01, 2025 at 05:56 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Perry Thompson Jr..

March 01, 2025 at 04:07 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Perry Thompson Jr..*



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