



## Raymond "Ray" Frederick Welsh

June 6, 1953 - April 26, 2016

Services for Raymond "Ray" Frederick Welsh, 62, of Bullard, will be held on Saturday, April 30, 2016, at 10:30 AM at Stewart Family Funeral Home with Rev. Scott Brown and Ricky Kincaid officiating.

Burial will follow at Cathedral In The Pines in Tyler under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home.

Mr. Welsh passed away Tuesday, April 26, 2016 in Bullard.

He was born June 6, 1953 in New Castle, PA to James Raymond and Marian Frey Welsh.

Ray was a graduate of Robert E. Lee High School. He was a beloved husband, father and grandfather. Ray was owner of Welsh Produce and Institutional Foods in Bullard since 1985. He was an avid horseman, hunter and car enthusiast.

Ray was preceded in death by his parents, both of Tyler.

He is survived by his loving family including wife Brenda Jean Thedford Welsh of Bullard; daughter Amie Ward and husband Chad of Whitehouse; son Kyle Welsh and wife Nikki of Bullard; grandsons Colby, Logan and Ty Ward of Whitehouse; granddaughter Michaella Ward of Whitehouse; mother-in-law Betty Thedford; sisters Karen Fleming and husband Phil of White Oak and Sharon Brookshire and fiancé Wayne Thigpin of Tyler; brother Randall Welsh and wife Kathy of Arp; sister-in-law Thresa Hightower of Bullard; honorary grandchildren Jordan and Kaleigh Lawless of Lindale, Gavin and Layton Hightower of Weatherford, Bryson, Brooklyn, and Brinley Fleming of Burleson,

Thomas Brookshire of McKinney and Sadie Grace Brookshire of Dallas; and his beloved puppy Rudy Welsh.

Pallbearers will be Kevin Hightower, Jason Lawless, Chris Fleming, Colby Ward, Kevin Brookshire and Keith Brookshire.

Honorary pallbearers will be Jordan Lawless, Logan Ward, Ty Ward, Bryson Fleming, Layton Hightower and Gavin Hightower.

Visitation is scheduled from 6:00 - 8:00 PM on Friday, April 29, 2016, at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway, in Tyler.

# Cemetery Details

## Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery

7825 South Broadway Avenue  
Tyler, TX 75703

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **29**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Service

APR **30**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Raymond "Ray" Frederick Welsh*



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**Stewart Family Funeral Home** - April 30, 2016 at 10:25 AM

KF

*I really wish me his only daughter was invited to my dad's funeral*

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**Karen Finkie** - February 19, 2021 at 01:39 PM

DL

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the entire Welsh family! Ray's brother Randy is a dear friend and I have lifelong memories of the whole family! Prayers! Love, Dede Lee*



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**Dede Lee** - May 04, 2016 at 08:51 PM

KF

“ *Karen Fleming lit a candle in memory of Raymond "Ray" Frederick Welsh*



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**Karen Fleming** - April 29, 2016 at 02:41 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Raymond "Ray" Frederick Welsh.*



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April 29, 2016 at 12:55 PM



“ *MAY GOD GIVE THE WELSH FAMILY COMFORT AND PEACE DURING THIS TIME. I WILL NEVER FORGET THE PAST 25 YEARS OF HEARING YOUR VOICE EVERY MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY "GOOD MORNING LISA" . ALWAYS LOVED SEEING YOU WHEN YOU BROUGHT MY GROCERIES. GOD TOOK YOU WAY TO SOON RAY RAY.....*

*LISA CHASON  
MAZZIO'S PIZZA PALESTINE*

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**LISA CHASON** - April 29, 2016 at 09:28 AM



“ *There is a great emptiness left by Ray's passing, but I am certain that the strength of the love that you and your family share for each other and for Ray will get you through this difficult time. May that love honor their memory and may you cherish the time you had together.*

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**Daryle Nelson** - April 28, 2016 at 05:00 PM

SC

“ Shannon C. purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Raymond "Ray" Frederick Welsh.



Shannon C. - April 28, 2016 at 04:56 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Raymond "Ray" Frederick Welsh.



April 28, 2016 at 03:39 PM

MF

“ Martha Thompson-Lasof, Scott Thompson and family. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Raymond "Ray" Frederick Welsh.



Martha Thompson-Lasof, Scott Thompson and family. - April 28, 2016 at 08:59 AM

ST

“ Scott Thompson lit a candle in memory of Raymond "Ray" Frederick Welsh



Scott Thompson - April 28, 2016 at 07:57 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Raymond "Ray" Frederick Welsh.*



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April 27, 2016 at 04:39 PM



“ *Prayers to the family. So sorry for the loss of a dear one.*

*Rocky and Kathy  
Wilson*

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**rocky and kathy wilson** - April 27, 2016 at 03:29 PM



“ *Thinking of you all!*

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**Renee' Mills** - April 27, 2016 at 02:56 PM



“ *I am so sorry for the family in the loss of Ray. Ray has always been one of the most upbeat person that I know. Our friendship with this great family was about twenty years ago in business. Ray always said we are in business together. He was a truly caring man that loved life. He loved is Family dearly. Ray will be missed by all, I pray for comfort and peace as the family says good bye to such a great soul. Van Brown*

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**Van Brown** - April 27, 2016 at 09:59 AM

KB

“ *To the Welsh Family, also Karen & Phil Fleming Family and Sharon:*

*We are very sorry to hear about Ray passing away but were very happy and joyful to know where his soul is resting - next to Jesus'*

*Throne...Praise the Lord! For true, real peace within - trusting, accepting faith in Jesus Christ is for life! (Rom 10:9-13, John 3:3, John 3:16, John 6:44, Rev 1:5) Ray will be missed here locally, but those prepared to meet him in heaven know that it will be a "Happy Reunion Day" when they meet again with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!*

*To God be the Glory Forever,  
In His Precious and Holy Name, Jesus!  
With sincere, deepest sympathy,  
Keith & Donna Blanton  
White Oak, TX*



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**Keith & Donna Blanton** - April 27, 2016 at 09:53 AM

RS

*I am saddened to hear the news about such a great guy.I had the honor of taking care of all his Fords and thats where we built a relationship with each other.he loved his family and his cars.something we both had in common and had a good time sharing them with one another.Imoved to The Woodlands a few years ago and lost contact.sorry to hear about it this way.he will be deeply missed but Iwill never forget.rest in peace my friend.*

*Randy Speake*

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**Randy Speake** - May 05, 2016 at 02:25 PM