



## Thomas Alexander Gilbreath Jr.

January 17, 2015

Services for Thomas Alexander Gilbreath, Jr., 61, of Tyler, will be held on Monday, January 19, 2015, at 2:00 PM at Stewart Family Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Mike Davis officiating. Burial will follow at Bascom Cemetery in Tyler under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home.

Mr. Gilbreath passed away Saturday, January 17, 2015 in Tyler. He was born March 10, 1953 in Dallas to Thomas Alexander and Betty L. Lawrence Gilbreath, Sr.

Tom graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School in 1971. He was inducted into the High School Football Hall of Fame. He graduated from the University of North Texas, where he belonged to Kappa Sigma Fraternity of North Texas. He was a member of the East Texas Area Claims Association. As an avid outdoorsman, Tom loved to fish and hunt.

Tom was preceded in death by his God parents, Kathryn "Tat" and Bill Hill.

He is survived by his loving family including former wife of 33 years, Loraine Gilbreath; daughters Melissa Barker and husband Jeff of Whitehouse, Meredith Archie and husband Kenny of Tyler, and Meghan Beasley and husband Jason of Whitehouse; grandchildren Payton, Rylan, Paige, Blake, Logan, Caden, and Paxston; his parents Tom and Betty Gilbreath of College

Station; sister Cindy Harrington and husband Jim of Georgetown; and his dog, Stella.

Pallbearers will be Joey Applewhite, Chuck McCool, Dan Emerson, Greg Williams, James "Bull" Durrum, Alfredo Hermosillo, Dale Acker, Payton Troyer, and John Freeman.

Honorary pallbearer will be Tommy Lucas.

Visitation is scheduled from 5:00 –7:00 PM on Sunday, January 18, 2015 at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway, in Tyler.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Tom Gilbreath memorial Fund, [gofundme.com/kacgo4](http://gofundme.com/kacgo4).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 18. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Service

JAN 19. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Mr. and Mrs. Gilbreath, Nikki, Denise and family, I am so very sorry for your loss. May your loving memories bring you peace and comfort. You have been in my thoughts and prayers. Love, Pat Green*

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**Pat Green** - January 26, 2015 at 04:13 PM



“ *Fall Fantasia was purchased for the family of Thomas Alexander Gilbreath Jr..*



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January 18, 2015 at 11:30 PM

KJ

“ *Tommy was always fun to be around when we were kids. I remember when the Gilbreaths came to take care of me and my brothers when our parents went to Europe, it was like having a fifth brother around. I just found out that he and I did become brothers thru the Kappa Sigma Fraternity. I wish I had known sooner.*

*Rest in peace brother  
Keeter Jenkins  
AEKDB*

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**Keeter Jenkins** - January 18, 2015 at 09:48 PM

KJ

“ Keeter and Joy Jenkins purchased the Basket of Joy for the family of Thomas Alexander Gilbreath Jr..



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**Keeter and Joy Jenkins** - January 18, 2015 at 09:25 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas Alexander Gilbreath Jr..



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January 18, 2015 at 09:19 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Thomas Alexander Gilbreath Jr..



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January 18, 2015 at 03:57 PM

SM

“ Steve & Gary Martin purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Thomas Alexander Gilbreath Jr..



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**Steve & Gary Martin** - January 18, 2015 at 01:30 PM

CS

“ Clark & Kathy Spencer purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Thomas Alexander Gilbreath Jr..



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**Clark & Kathy Spencer** - January 18, 2015 at 09:37 AM



“ Quiet Expressions was purchased for the family of Thomas Alexander Gilbreath Jr..



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January 17, 2015 at 07:23 PM

BT

“ Will always remember his smile and wit. Good man. Good men will be missed and always remembered.

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**Brian Tuttle** - January 17, 2015 at 06:57 PM

DH

“ I am so sorry to hear of yor loss. Sincere condolences. Love to each of you. Tom was always there for me if i needed him. He made me feel like family. Deb

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**Debra Howard** - January 17, 2015 at 06:26 PM

KF

“ *Kathy Faust lit a candle in memory of Thomas Alexander Gilbreath Jr.*



Kathy Faust - January 17, 2015 at 06:21 PM

KF

*I'm so sorry...*

Kathy Faust - January 17, 2015 at 06:22 PM

PH

“ *PATTY, CHUCK, ADAM, CASEY, KRISTY, AND KATY HESTON purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Thomas Alexander Gilbreath Jr..*



PATTY, CHUCK, ADAM, CASEY, KRISTY, AND KATY HESTON - January 17, 2015 at 05:12 PM

CH

“ *Praying for you all..*

Carol Harris - January 17, 2015 at 05:11 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time. May God give you peace and comfort. ~~Debbie Perkins*

Debbie Perkins - January 17, 2015 at 04:03 PM

SB

*I am so sorry to hear about Tom. You girls are in my prayers.*

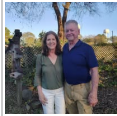
Sonja Burgess - January 17, 2015 at 04:34 PM

RL

*What a loss and a gain for heaven. I can just see him with his head thrown back and that big smile. Doesn't matter where you ran into Tom he always had a hug and a smile for you. I will miss going by his house honking giving him a wave while he is mowing the yard. Prayers for comfort, peace and understanding for you Loraine, Melissa, Meredith, Meghan and your families.*

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**Rebecca Lawson** - January 17, 2015 at 07:07 PM



*Please accept our heartfelt condolences and prayers for strength to cope during the days ahead.*

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**Phyllis Wells** - January 18, 2015 at 11:08 AM