



Mr. Daryl Paul Cravey

January 28, 1956 - May 26, 2014

Daryl Paul Cravey was born in Beaumont, Texas on January 28, 1956. He was the second of four children born to Howard Dean Cravey and Barbara Leath Cravey. He spent most of his childhood in Lafayette, Louisiana where he graduated from Lafayette High School in 1974. From there he went on to obtain a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Southwestern Louisiana (now UL-Lafayette). Daryl married Becky Mann Cravey in 1978 and together they raised three boys in Henderson, Texas. Daryl was a member of the Texas Board of Professional Engineers and was successfully employed in the oil & gas industry for companies such as Arco Oil & Gas, Conoco and SND Energy. Most recently, he owned Saguaro Engineering, providing consulting engineering services to various energy companies. Daryl was a cowboy at heart, having been a bull rider in his younger days and later a cattle rancher in the hills of East Texas. Daryl will be remembered for his big heart, great sense of humor and loving devotion to family. He will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

Daryl is survived by his loving wife of 36 years, Rebecca Mann Cravey; his mother, Barbara Leath Cravey; three sons, Jason Cravey and wife Keita, Jake Cravey and Jordan Cravey, all of Henderson, Texas; two brothers, Keith Cravey and wife, Elaine of Thailand, and Jim Cravey and wife Opur, also of Thailand; one sister, Julie Cravey Cassity of Springfield, Missouri; one

grandson, Cason Cravey, and one granddaughter, Katie Cravey, both of Henderson; and a host of nieces and nephews, friends and family.

He was preceded in death by his father, Dean Cravey.

Daryl passed away peacefully at his home on Lake Cherokee in Rusk County, Texas on May 26, 2014. Crawford - A. Crim Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Visitation will be held on Sunday, June 1st from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm and funeral services on Monday, June 2nd at 10:00 am at the funeral home. Interment will follow at Rusk County Memorial Gardens.

Pallbearers will be Daryl's sons, Jason and Jake Cravey, and his nephews, Christopher Cassity, Austin Cassity, Trevor LeMaire and Jake Sellman.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at www.crawfordacrim.com

Cemetery Details

Rusk County Memorial Gardens

Hwy 259 N.
Henderson, TX 75652

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 1. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home
1414 South Main Street
Henderson, TX 75654
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murphy@crawfordacrim.com
<https://www.crawfordacrim.com/>

Service

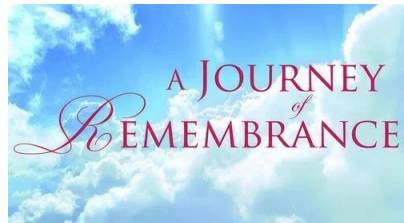
JUN 2. 10:00 AM (CT)

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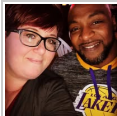
Tribute Wall



“ Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Daryl Paul Cravey



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - May 29, 2014 at 03:50 PM



What a beautiful tribute to a wonderful man.

Candace Roberts - May 29, 2014 at 04:28 PM

FR

Brought to tears and i did'nt even know the man....but i do know his brother Jim...and the blood of one runs in the other!!! My deepest heart felt regrets and prayers to the family...REST IN PEACE DARYL!

farris ross - June 01, 2014 at 10:24 PM

LB

My brother, Darrell Guidry & I Lorraine Guidry were neighbors to the Cravey family & had many days of play with Keith & Daryl when they lived on St. Louis St. in Lafayette, LA. I was looking at a Google map and came across the name of this funeral home and decided to look and see if Dean had passed and also discovered Daryl. Reading the obit, seeing pictures & this video brought back so many fun times & good memories. God bless to all of the Cravey Family for the loss of these two men in their lives. We knew them for a short time, but you-all had life time memories. May God bless your family. I will keep their memories forever in my heart.

Lorraine Guidry Bihm, 4508 Jenning Dr., Plano, TX 75093

Lorraine Guidry Bihm - February 09, 2015 at 07:37 PM

VS

I truly miss him

Vanona Sunny - June 12, 2019 at 08:30 AM

SH

“ *My husband and I both had the great pleasure of working with Daryl at Devon. A large heart to match his large laughter! It was a privilege to call him my friend and he will be greatly missed.*

Susan and Doug Hargrove

Susan Hargrove - June 05, 2014 at 07:21 PM

SB

“ *Becky,
My prayers are with you and your family. Daryl was a great guy, so many fun filled memories of him. I think of y'all often. I am so sorry for your loss.*

Susan Hector Bordelon Lafayette La

Susan Bordelon - June 03, 2014 at 09:25 AM

FM

“ *Sorry for your loss, Praying for the Family. Leonard & Debbie Mitchell*

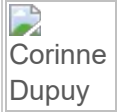
Frank Mitchell - June 02, 2014 at 05:39 PM


Corinne
Dupuy

“ *Corinne Dupuy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Daryl Paul Cravey*



Corinne Dupuy - June 02, 2014 at 12:39 PM



Corinne Dupuy

Becky, I am so saddened to hear about Daryl. He was a good friend and mentor to me. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.Corinne, Eddie, Marc and Lindsey Dupuy

Corinne Dupuy - June 02, 2014 at 12:41 PM

JF

“ *Becky, Ms. Barbara and Cravey family:*

Incredibly saddened as I hear of your loss. Seems as if it is way too soon to have to say bye. Sometimes it has been old pictures, other times just general remembrances of the past (or phone calls on the nights of high school reunions), but over the years many things have spurred fond memories of the experiences Daryl and I shared.

It is obvious that Daryl continued to live life to the fullest and was a blessing to all he was in contact with. My heart goes out to you and the entire Cravey family.

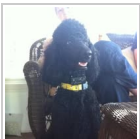
John Fisher - June 02, 2014 at 09:53 AM

DP

“ *Diane Ponder lit a candle in memory of Mr. Daryl Paul Cravey*



Diane Ponder - June 02, 2014 at 09:33 AM



“ *Saddened by your loss, We were neighbors on St. Louis,St. in Lafayette. Your family will be in our prayers. Brenda Briant Bienvenu.*

Brenda Bienvenu - May 31, 2014 at 02:28 PM

BB

“ So very sorry to get this news. I Know how much Daryl will be missed. Barbara & Dean were our neighbors in Lafayette,La. on St. Louis,St.. and were good friends. Daryl and my bother J.C. were pals and had lots of fun together. Barbara we think of you and your sweet family often and some funny things you and Mom would do are say. You and the family will be in our prayers. God Bless you and the family. Brenda Briant Bienvenu, and the Briant Family.

Brenda Bienvenu - May 31, 2014 at 01:58 PM

JF

“ Barbara, I was saddened to read about Daryl but wanted you to know you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers every day. God bless each of you. Your friend, Jane Fahle



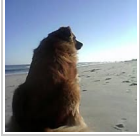
Jane Fahle - May 31, 2014 at 01:15 PM



“ Anne Vanoni-Cravey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Daryl Paul Cravey



Anne Vanoni-Cravey - May 31, 2014 at 12:19 PM



“ *Becky and Family, Barbara, Jim and rest of the Cravey Family
We are so sorry for your loss. It came as quite a shock to us.
I remember Daryl as a very nice person with a great sense of
humor. I remember visiting and also living at Dean and Barbara's
and every early morning Daryl coming by the house and leaning
against the counter with a cup of coffee in his hand and Dean
seated at the table eating his breakfast and they would always
talk politics, especially about the president and past presidents
and I must say at times it was pretty entertaining and sometimes
driving Barbara crazy, but always in a fun and loving way.
I still have fond memories of being a part of the Cravey family.
You are all in our thoughts and prayers at this most difficult time.*

*With our utmost sympathy,
Anne Vanoni & Casey Cravey*

Anne Vanoni-Cravey - May 31, 2014 at 12:17 PM

SB

“ *Susie Boudreaux lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Daryl Paul Cravey*



Susie Boudreaux - May 30, 2014 at 08:00 PM

MN

“ *Becky, I am so sorry for your loss. I wish I could be at Daryl's
funeral, but I can't. I have such fond memories of you and Daryl. I
will be thinking of you and your family.*

MaryEllen Cain Nobe - May 30, 2014 at 10:14 AM

BB

“ I am so glad I had the privilege to know such a great man. Daryl and I worked on multiple projects together and ultimately became good friends. I will miss him greatly. My condolences to the Cravey family.

Brent Boudreaux

brent boudreaux - May 30, 2014 at 12:46 AM

“Daryl Cravey was an amazing friend. His heart was so big that I don't even know how it fit into his body. Everyone has a story about Daryl. He lived with passion, integrity, and a willingness to help anyone that was fortunate enough to cross his path. I had the pleasure of meeting Daryl while working as a medic on an offshore oil rig that Devon Energy had contracted in the Gulf of Mexico. Daryl was managing the project. We hit it off right away. When I made the move into sales for the same company, Daryl gave me my first sale. Everything sort of snowballed from there. I guess you could say he was my biggest cheerleader. He was always rooting for me to succeed, and seemed to take great pride in any of my accomplishments. The truth is, I owe everything to him.

Just a few things about my friend that I will never forget. I will never forget his strength, the wonderful talks we had over dinners out in Houston, the advice he gave me, his heal all hugs after a tough day, his constant encouragement, his wonderful sense of humor, his love of razzing people, the confidence he had, his gift of understanding all kinds of people, his integrity, how he valued the input of others, how he insisted on treating people fairly, his sense of pride when it came to his family and friends, his love of a good margarita, how he loved the singer, John Prine, how he refused to valet park, how dining out with him in Houston was like dining with a celebrity, how much he loved his home in Henderson, and the passion behind his descriptions of his home, the pride he took in showing me photos that Becky took, how much he adored his family and his little dog, Tallulah, how tender hearted he was, our discussions of off the wall things and pondering the big questions in life, his love of a good cabernet, and on and on and on. Mostly, I will never forget his laugh. Daryl laughed from his toes and it was infectious.

Daryl said many things I will never forget. He told me one day, "Power isn't power unless you can give it away." He was the type that downplayed himself and built up everyone around him. The best leaders are ones that are loved. This was a loved leader. I miss my friend, but like so many others who were touched by his life, I

will honor him by remembering the wisdom he leaves behind and then teach that wisdom to my son and daughter. I know you are on a magnificent adventure Daryl. See you again in the blink of an eye. ???

Bobanne Richardson - May 29, 2014 at 09:15 PM

SR

“ *This is out of the ordinary for me to write something like this but Daryl was no ordinary man. In a short couple of years, Daryl and I became the closest of friends. He was a man of great intellect, integrity and loyalty. He nurtured so many - helping any one who needed help and support. All they needed to provide was the right attitude of wanting to learn and succeed. Young engineers would flock to his office as he told stories and gave them sound recommendations and advice....while throwing in some good East Texas humor in the mix. Daryl never got rattled and always kept his cool....well most of the time. Daryl made our team complete.*

I told my girls that Daryl epitomized what being a man was all about. He was a great husband, father and friend. He loved his family dearly. He was a Godly man.

I am broken hearted to have lost Daryl so soon but still feel blessed to have been able to have had him in my life here on earth - even for the limited time. We went through some interesting times - laughing, cussing and sometimes crying together - but I always knew he had my back. I know he still has my back, as well as others, as he watches down over us from heaven.

Becky, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Steve Reiter - May 29, 2014 at 08:48 PM

BR

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Bobanne Richardson - May 29, 2014 at 08:13 PM

Jill
Durkee

“ Daryl was always so nice and friendly. I am so saddened by this loss. Prayers for Daryl's family and all of his friends.

Jill Durkee - May 29, 2014 at 05:52 PM

DM

“ Diane Morton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Daryl Paul Cravey



Diane Morton - May 29, 2014 at 02:54 PM

DM

“ My condolences to the Cravey family. I remember Daryl from Lafayette High School and he was always such a sweet and kind person and a fun person too. God Bless.

Diane Morton - May 29, 2014 at 02:54 PM

LJ

“ I have been so saddened by hearing of the loss of Daryl. He was such a good man. Please know that I am thinking and praying for all of you. Give Jake a big hug for me..

Laura Johnson - May 29, 2014 at 11:28 AM

EH

“ Becky, my heart is just broken. So many memories I cannot wrap my mind around them all. Growing up across the street from each other they were the best of friends. Through grade school, high school, college and on into their lives and careers, Daryl and Mike remained the best of friends. Ichabod and Possum. I see Daryl's giant smile as I walked down the aisle on our wedding day, there he stood, Mike's best man. Friday nights teasing me and Becky as we faithfully watched "Dallas". Saturday nights at Cajun Field cheering on USL (ULL). The pranks they played on me and Becky were priceless! The tears in his voice over the phone when I had to tell him of Mike's illness. The phone call to him and his U turn from East Texas straight to Lafayette to spend Mike's last day with him. And what a day it was! Telling that nurse to mind her own business, he was taking his friend out to the parking garage as Mike smoked his last cigarette. Being there for me and our children as we said goodbye to Mike. Well I guess Ichabod and Possum are once again creating great mischief together! I think I will miss his giant hugs most of all. Or the way he called me "deLeen". Or the thousand other things that are running through my mind right now. I love you Daryl, and I will always remember.

Your "deLeen"

Eileen Hanson - May 29, 2014 at 11:04 AM

JB

“ I will always remember Daryl as a fair man devoted to his family always willing to help others without question. I am sorry for your loss.

Jarrold Basham - May 28, 2014 at 11:20 PM

SC

“ My deepest sympathy and condolences to the Cravey family for your terrible sudden loss

Susan Patin Crawford - May 28, 2014 at 09:06 PM

CH

“ My first inclination is to yell "its not fair" until i think about what Daryl would say about it, then i have to laugh. Daryl was the biggest single reason i used to go in to work last year. I wasn't going to let him down. He never got flustered or angry about how things were going. He thrived on challenging and difficult problems. When we didn't know which direction things were going he would say "Embrace Uncertainty!" I miss him right now.
Clint Harman
Houston

Clint Harman - May 28, 2014 at 07:38 PM

TT

“ Becky, keeping good thoughts for you and the family. "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not unto your own understanding. Acknowledge him in all your ways and he will make your paths straight."

Terry & Lori Tyson - May 28, 2014 at 07:21 PM

MS

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I first met Daryl when we were just 4 or 5 years old when he lived in the Saint Streets. Daryl was such a nice guy. Sorry for your family's loss

Sincerely

Mary Briant Schexnayder

mary Google Brisnt Schexnsyde - May 28, 2014 at 06:20 PM

MC

“ Our deepest condolences to the Cravey family on this terrible loss. Please know that ya'll are in our thoughts and prayers. God bless.

Mark & Becky Crawford Plummer

Lafayette, LA

Mark & Becky Crawford-Plummer - May 28, 2014 at 03:07 PM

SH

“ Deepest sympathy to your family in the loss of Daryl. I worked with Daryl at Black Elk Energy. He was such a sweet, fun man and I had great respect for him. I hope each day will bring comfort. Daryl will be missed by so many.

Regards,

Sherrell Hendricks

Black Elk Energy

Sherrell Hendricks - May 28, 2014 at 10:25 AM



“ *Ms Becky... I am so extremely sorry to hear about your loss... Cravey was not only a customer, he was a teacher a father figure to me here in Houston. iPray God will give you and the family strength during this time of sorrow!... All my love strength n prays to all of you.*

Roxanne Merrill

Roxanne Merrill - May 28, 2014 at 09:34 AM



“ *I have known Daryl since my days at Devon Energy and now at EPL Oil & Gas. He always had a smile and was great to be around. I am still stunned by the news. My thoughts and prayers are with his friends and family.*

Bob Royce

Bob Royce - May 28, 2014 at 09:31 AM

VH

“ *Becky,*

I was so heartbroken to hear the sad news and my heart is crying tears for your loss. I cant imagine you without him. When i saw one the other wasnt too far behind. He will be missed greatly. Jason, you be strong for your mom and your brothers. You keep the memories of your dad close and dear to your heart. If ever you need me I am always here just to listen, laugh or cry with you. Jim and I are just saddened beyond words.

God will wrap his arms around you and get you thru this difficult time. Becky, you are the angel in his eyes! He will be in heaven watching over all of you! God Bless you always, Rest In Peace Mr Daryl. You were taken too soon, but our Lord needed you with him so it was time to go home. Until we see you again one day, rest peacefully in our Fathers' Mansion.

Vicki & Jim Holcomb

Vicki Holcomb - May 27, 2014 at 10:42 PM



“ Daryl was my favorite regular at Lorenzo's in Houston. I have been waiting on him for about 4 years now. Over the years he became like a father figure to me and I grew to love and care about him tremendously. I was only his waitress, but yet he treated me as if I was apart of his family, even making plans to bring me and my son up to his property for a weekend in the summer. We talked about it every time he came in. I am deeply saddened by the loss of such a wonderful man. It is so difficult to believe I will never hear "Candace, darling, how ya doing?" I will never spill another glass of water in his lap, I will never hear him tell the story of me calling Ms. Becky "Suzie". Daryl Cravey was one of the best men I have ever met. To know him was to love him. My heart is broken right now. My sincere condolences to Ms. Becky, Ms. Barbara and to his sons. God needed an angel and He got one of the best. I love you Daryl and I will never forget you. Rest in Peace and I will see you when I get there. (With a Prime rib and some of those roller peas you like so much)

Candace Roberts - May 27, 2014 at 09:56 PM

GP

“ I am so shocked and sad to hear of Daryl's passing. Here's a man who put his own neck on the line to help further my career and became a good friend through it all. And there are many others who can say the same. My heartfelt condolences to Daryl's family and friends. There is definitely a void in the world with him gone, but Heaven is that much more fun with his presence.

Geoff Parker - May 27, 2014 at 06:25 PM

JM

“ I am saddened by your loss.
Jo Ann Orr Miller

Jo Ann Miller - May 27, 2014 at 01:59 PM



“ *Becky,*

We are so sorry for your loss. Our prayer is for God's comfort and peace for you and your family during this difficult time. You will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Joe & Cecilia Koch

Cecilia Koch - May 27, 2014 at 01:45 PM

DG

“ *Becky*

There are no words to express how sorry we are to loose Daryl. When we think of Daryl we think of a larger than life man who was had a big ol laugh and was very generous. He had such a passion for you and his boys.

Hang on to those precious memories.

Love you,

Deana & Donny

Deana Griffith - May 27, 2014 at 12:36 PM