



Mr. David Franklin Roper

December 26, 1953 - October 25, 2021

Funeral services for Mr. David Franklin Roper, 67, of Katy, will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, October 29, 2021, in the chapel at Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home with Dr. David Higgs officiating. Interment will follow at Rusk County Memorial Gardens under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

The family will receive friends from 12:00 p.m. until service time on Friday, at the funeral home.

Mr. Roper passed from this life on October 25, 2021, at Vibra Life Assisted Living in Katy. He was born December 26, 1953, in Henderson to the late Lavern and Delores (Romans) Roper. After his education, David moved to the Houston area in the late 1970s and made it his home. His career was in management, and he was the manager at Celebration Station, Discovery Zone, Randall's Food and worked in Katy School. David loved to cook, always trying new things, but loved old family recipes also. Mr. Roper loved his nieces and nephews and took the three boys on vacation. He also had a green thumb and could grow anything. His family would take him plants that were about dead and he would bring them back to life. David would try to help anyone he could. Mr. Roper also sang in First Baptist Church of Houston Christmas pageants for many years. He loved Dr Pepper. Old commercials advertised that 10, 2 & 4 was the time to drink it, and he could always find a way to make it those times, "doc time" as he said.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his great-nephew, Ryker Mulkern.

Survivors include his brother, Steve Roper and wife Susan of Sumrall, Mississippi, and their children, Kevin Roper, Jared Roper and his family, and Kelli Davis and her family; sister, Rebecca Mulkern and husband Ken of Valley View, and their children, Shawn Mulkern and his family, and Erin Morgan and her family; as well as a host of cousins, other family and friends.

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

Cemetery Details

Rusk County Memorial Gardens

5013 US Hwy 259
Henderson, TX 75652

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **29**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home
1414 S. Main St
Henderson, TX 75654

Service

OCT **29**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. David Franklin Roper*



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - October 28, 2021 at 03:10 PM

DL

David, I will miss you dearly. We had many good times growing up together. An awesome tribute. Thank you for sharing.

Deborah Lane - October 29, 2021 at 10:27 PM

CP

“ *David was my tenant for the last 4 years. He was the sweetest person I have met. Him and I would spend hours talking about life. He loved his family so much, and always had good memories of his daddy. I will miss him, may he rest in peace,. My condolences to his family.*

Cesar Patoni - November 17, 2021 at 09:37 PM

ST

“ *Sherie Tillison lit a candle in memory of Mr. David Franklin Roper*



Sherie Tillison - November 14, 2021 at 11:41 AM

PT

“ David was a great friend of mine when I was in college at Stephen F. Austin State University as we did lots of things together with Don Hanks and other at the Baptist Student Union. He was a true friend and brother in Christ. He now has a perfect body praising the Lord all the day long in heaven. Until we meet again, David! Philippians 3:20-21

Peter Tadin - November 13, 2021 at 02:47 PM

BH

“ Brent Hale lit a candle in memory of Mr. David Franklin Roper



Brent Hale - November 08, 2021 at 06:41 PM

RC

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. David was a good, good man who loved his family and our Lord with all his heart. He will be sorely missed.

Randy and Misty Culp - October 30, 2021 at 11:46 AM

MM

“ I first met David in 2nd grade. Like many others I was impressed by his kindness and concern for others. He will be missed.

Mark Morris - October 29, 2021 at 12:59 PM

RK

“ *Ruth Harris Kusheba lit a candle in memory of Mr. David Franklin Roper*



Ruth Harris Kusheba - October 29, 2021 at 11:40 AM

BM

“ *David and I were in junior and senior high together, and though I knew David, I really didn't. I do remember he was always friendly and kind then. Unfortunately, when some of us were young and in junior and senior high, we ran with our "groups" or those who were "like us". Now I realize how foolish that was and how many good friends I missed out on and could have had.*

David would have been one of those, for he was friendly to all. I saw David at a 20 or 25 year class reunion and was privileged to sit down and talk to him for a while, to actually have a conversation with him. I realized what a sweet and kind spirit David had, and what I had missed.

I enjoyed following David's post on Facebook...pictures of his flowers and pictures of his Dad. He always seemed to mention that his Dad liked to whistle. I hope you both are whistling a tune together now my friend! May God bless you and your family that will certainly be missing you!

Brady Moore - October 28, 2021 at 09:44 PM

RG

David was a proud son, brother, and uncle. May he rest in peace and rejoice with those who have gone before him.

Rebecca Riley Glass - October 29, 2021 at 01:14 PM



“ 68 files added to the album Life Tributes



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - October 28, 2021 at 03:07 PM



So sorry for your loss. David had a very sweet nature. He was instrumental in getting me involved with Houston's First Baptist. I will always be grateful. Kay Miller

Kay Miller - November 13, 2021 at 09:50 AM



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Kay Miller - November 13, 2021 at 09:52 AM

DA

“ *So sorry to hear this news. David and I graduated high school together and were in a carpool together when we went to Kilgore College. He was a very kind person. Prayers for his family.*

Dovena Akins - October 28, 2021 at 09:23 AM

EM

“ Many were not kind to David while growing up, but David was never unkind to anyone. I will be forever grateful that he followed God's call to be gracious to others. He grew up in the house next to my future grandmother-in-law's, Katy Miller. When her grandson Len Miller came to visit her, David invited Len to go to church with him at First Baptist where my parents, Gladys and Al Wylie, were teachers in the College and Career Department. They met Len, as did all my siblings, before me. We finally met while both visiting family on the same Sunday in 1976. We have been married 44 years now with three kids and six grandkids--all due to David's inviting Len to church. Thank you David. Your life has forever impacted ours. Edith and Len Miller

Edith Miller - October 27, 2021 at 11:23 PM

SA

“ Sheila Alford lit a candle in memory of Mr. David Franklin Roper



Sheila Alford - October 27, 2021 at 11:12 PM

JT

“ David my friend I will forever miss you. I remember meeting you online back in 1999. I got you hooked on Yahoo Fantasy sports game. We would challenge each other in basketball, baseball, & football. I remember how we were also connected by your dad passing away 1 week after my dad passed away. And how we would call each other once a week making sure we were both doing ok. I remember you calling me or texting me & helping you through your computer problems. Even helping you from long distance by phone when you didn't know what new computer to buy or TV. Helping you out with those. Also when you asked my advice on a chest freezer to stock up on bargains when you found them. The best time was when in 2016 you came flew over here to Florida & we spent a week together. Got to show you around. And again in 2018 when I can never thank you enough for flying into Tampa & driving me back here to Jacksonville to take care of me for 12 days after my surgery. I could never repay you or thank you enough for that. I always remembered how we would check in on each other each year the day our dads passing anniversary came up. You were a dear friend to me & one of my best friends. I will always forever remember you & the time we spent on the phone talking for hours. And meeting up & spending time together. Just wish I had made it to Katy for you to show me around. Or for us to have gone to a Red Sox versus Astros game. Of course we would have both had on jerseys of the opposite team. :) I will never forget you & cherish our friendship forever. You were the best friend anyone could ask for & I will forever miss that. God speed my friend!

Jason Teffs - October 27, 2021 at 03:49 PM



“ *Carol Phillips Harris lit a candle in memory of Mr. David Franklin Roper*



Carol Phillips Harris - October 27, 2021 at 12:16 PM



“ *Tom Vaughn lit a candle in memory of Mr. David Franklin Roper*



Tom Vaughn - October 26, 2021 at 10:37 PM



“ *Donna Dorsey Aaron lit a candle in memory of Mr. David Franklin Roper*



Donna Dorsey Aaron - October 26, 2021 at 10:00 PM



“ *Mike Mason lit a candle in memory of Mr. David Franklin Roper*



Mike Mason - October 26, 2021 at 08:49 PM

BG

“ *Becky Gholson lit a candle in memory of Mr. David Franklin Roper*



Becky Gholson - October 26, 2021 at 08:42 PM

JC

“ *Jan Crow lit a candle in memory of Mr. David Franklin Roper*



Jan Crow - October 26, 2021 at 08:41 PM

TN

“ *I went to school with his sister Rebecca so I knew David that way. I remember spending the night with her and pestering David. I saw him a year or so here in Henderson and talked about old times. RIP*

Teresa Nutt - October 26, 2021 at 06:57 PM

JC

“ *I am so deeply sorry.*

Jimmy Culp - October 26, 2021 at 06:39 PM

PB

“ *David and I graduated together. I worked with his mother, Delores, for years at FBC Henderson. David will be greatly missed but he's happy now with his mom and dad! Praying for the family!*

Pat Blevins - October 26, 2021 at 05:59 PM

CB

“ *Cindy Belcher lit a candle in memory of Mr. David Franklin Roper*



Cindy Belcher - October 26, 2021 at 11:42 AM

JP

“ *Janice Allen Pirkey lit a candle in memory of Mr. David Franklin Roper*



Janice Allen Pirkey - October 25, 2021 at 09:11 PM

RG

“ *So sad to hear of David's passing. We had known each other since the Cradle Class at First Baptist Church in Henderson. We went through Mrs. Montgomery's kindergarten class, Central Elementary, and on through high school graduation together. We had just recently reconnected. Prayers for Rebecca and for Steve and their families during thiis difficult time. David was a fine person and his church family meant so much to him.*

Rebecca Glass - October 25, 2021 at 07:21 PM

RG

“ *Rebecca Glass lit a candle in memory of Mr. David Franklin Roper*



Rebecca Glass - October 25, 2021 at 07:15 PM