



## David Blanton

October 9, 1947 - October 11, 2011

Funeral services for David Blanton, 64, of Laneville, will be held at Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home Chapel at 2 pm, Friday, October 14, 2011 with the Reverend David Luckert officiating. Burial will follow at Laneville Cemetery. Visitation will be from 12:00 pm to 2 pm, on Friday, at the funeral home. David was born in Henderson, Texas on October 9, 1947, and died at his home on October 11, 2011. He was raised in Laneville and graduated from Henderson High School in 1965. He excelled in many sports, particularly football, where he achieved all- district and all-state honors. He attended Kilgore College and Stephen F. Austin State University. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Laneville. David served as a Rusk County deputy sheriff for 8 years and retired from Texas Utilities after twenty-five years. He was a member of the Board of Directors for EastTex Telephone Co-op. He also had a successful dirt work and heavy equipment business. Additionally, he enjoyed his cattle operation and his grandson Rex. He was a true cowboy to the core - rider, roper, and the real deal. He was preceded in death by his mother, Faye Irwin Blanton; his father, Curtis Blanton; and several aunts and uncles. He is survived by a daughter, Davi Blanton Dixon and her husband Ron of Nacogdoches; one grandson, Rex Blanton Dixon of Nacogdoches; a sister, Judy Blanton Chappell and her husband Larry of Colleyville, Texas; two aunts, Ms. Louise Jacks and Dr. June Irwin, both of Nacogdoches, and several nieces and nephews. Pallbearers will be Kerry Beard, Donald Parker, Gary Griffin, Danny Jordan, Joe Speer, and Dr. Billy Wayne Irwin. Honorary

pollbearers will be the Board of Directors of EastTex Telephone Co-op.

# Previous Events

## visitation

OCT **14.** 12:00 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall

RC

“ Dear Davi and family, We are so sorry to hear about the passing of David. He was a great father and grandfather and we know he will be greatly missed by all. We were blessed to have known him and will remember you in our prayers in the coming days and weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Parker and children

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**Ricky and Sheri Parker and children** - October 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Davi, I was sadden when I learned about your Dad. He was a fellow classmate and a friend. He was never with out a smile and a chuckel. I can tell you that he was so proud of you and delighted in talking about you and Rex. Oh how proud he was, He will be missed. Keeping you in my prayers...Becky Holcomb Stone ..Class of 65.

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**Becky Holcomb Stone** - October 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ Davi, Please know that your Daddy will be missed so much by many. Laneville will not be the same without him. I for one will miss seeing his smile and that gleam in his eye when I would asked about your son Rex. He was a great man with a happy outlook on life everyday. I will miss my friend.

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**Patti Warren** - October 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ My sympathy to the family. I coached David in football in 1963 and remember him, as not only a good player, but a pleasant and accomodating young man.

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**Don Emery** - October 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *Davi, Please know that you are in our thoughts prayers. We were so sorry to hear about David's passing. David worked with him for several years and always thought a lot of him. Take care, Pam Brown*

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**David and Pam Brown** - October 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ *Our hearts are weeping by the passing of Mr. David. He will be missed greatly. Life around Laneville will not be the same.*

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**Billy King Family** - October 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

WB

“ *David was a good friend and fellow peace officer. Also a team mate years ago. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**William & Sharon Brown** - October 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ *So sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family. He was a good friend of 30 yrs. I worked with him at TXU.*

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**Tim Childress** - October 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ *David will truly be missed by so many. He was always there to help when someone needed it. Always had a kind word to say when he met you somewhere. He was a true friend to my family and so many others. May God be with your family in this time of loss. God Bless Keith, Tammy and McKenzie Brightwell*

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**Keith, Tammy and McKenzie Brightwell** - October 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SN

“ *Davi, I am truly sorry for the loss of your father. May God wrap you and your family in his loving arms and comfort all of you. You will be in my prayers.* ”

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**Susan Keating Nolan** - October 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Davi, Jan and I are so sorry to hear about your Dad. He was a wonderful man. I will always remember the great times we had in high school. You will be in our thoughts and prayers.* ”

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**John Harris** - October 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ *David has always been special to me and my family. He will be "Greatly" missed!* ”

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**Becky Velvin Jordan** - October 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RT

“ *You will be missed!* ”

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**Rockin' C Trailers** - October 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ *Mother and I are so sadden about David. He always had a smile on his face. We are going to miss him.* ”

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**Joshlyn Ward** - October 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LI

“ *Davi, Words can not express how deeply sorry I am for the loss of your Dad. David was a wonderful man and a wonderful Father . Please know I will be keeping you in my prayers. Lot of Love and Prayers, Laura*

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**Laura Waldie Isaac** - October 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

WS

“ *David was a very good friend.....he will be greatly missed....*

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**Warren Simmons** - October 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Davi and JudyMy Prayers and thoughts go out to you and your family.*

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**Annetta Box Magee** - October 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

VB

“ *His smile and laugh will missed greatly! Our prayers and thoughts go out to everyone he leaves behind.*

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**Vaughn and Desserey Blair** - October 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *Davi, I was so sorry to hear about David. I'm sorry that I didn't know him earlier when he and Daddy and my sister were friends. I loved visiting with him in the office. My prayers are that you will be comforted in knowing how many people do honestly care.*

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**Debra Daughtery** - October 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ *Davi, So sorry to hear about your loss. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.* ”

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**Kyle Colston and Family** - October 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM