



David Wright

April 22, 1943 - December 29, 2011

David was born in Oakland, Calif., to his parents, Floyd and Ida Wright, on April 22, 1943. His family later moved to San Francisco where he spent most of his youth. David's lifelong affinity for fishing and the love of the outdoors began as a child growing up near the San Francisco Bay. He later became an accomplished athlete at Lincoln High School. David also developed exceptional culinary skills while working in the family's restaurant business.

The Wright family relocated to Fort Worth in the early '60s. David became a chef at the iconic Blackstone Hotel where he utilized his culinary craft to the delight of local and national dignitaries. David's most significant achievement as a chef was the honor of preparing President John F. Kennedy's breakfast the morning of Nov. 22, 1963, likely the President's last meal. David later became employed as a counselor for Alcoholic Anonymous (AA) after enrolling in the program himself and successfully defeating his own battle with chronic alcoholism. David's work there and willingness to share his personal testimony assisted countless other men to achieve sobriety and live more fulfilling lives, just as he did. David eventually retired as a employee from the Arlington School District after 15 years of employment. He genuinely enjoyed his time at AISD, where he made many friendships that endured for the remainder of his life. David's infectious personality and overall good nature attracted people and animals alike. He was a animal enthusiasts, owning and caring for all types of animals throughout his life. His charitable spirit led to helping individuals and volunteering for organizations like AA, The

Lions Club, and the Dallas Mormon Temple. David's enduring faith and hope in Jesus Christ was evident by all who encountered him. The family would like to extend special recognition to family friend, Miguel Cadrera, and his brothers for assisting Sara Jean during David's deteriorating health. David will be sorely missed by his family and friends. Survivors: His loving wife, Sara Jean; brother, Jerry; sister-in-law, Judy; sons, Alex and Mark; daughters, Chris and Julie; grandchildren, Jacquelyn, Kaitlin, Savannah, Megan, Preston, Benjamin and Luke; uncle, Gene Harmeling; aunt, Harriet Harmeling; and one great-grandchild on the way.

Tribute Wall

MW

“ On behalf of the family, thank you for all of the heart felt condolences expressed here and also at the celebration ceremony. The love and support shown for our family was over whelming and comforting. Since Dad was a believer in Christ we are genuinely excited about our reunion with him one day in heaven. Please join us!

Mark Wright - January 10, 2012 at 11:33 PM

BZ

“ Julie and Mark, I am so sorry for your loss. I know your dad was very special to you. I know you were both a blessing to him and a source of immense pride. You will be in my prayers.

Beth Zimmerman - January 03, 2012 at 01:28 PM

OG

“ Sara Jean,
You and Dave are two of the happiest people I have ever known. You spread joy to everyone around you. I always looked forward to visiting with you each day at work. I am so sorry for your loss, but I know that Dave is in a must better place! You are in my thoughts and prayers. Love, Ouida

Ouida Garner - January 01, 2012 at 09:25 PM

GK

“ My deepest condolences on the loss of your father David. Hearing the love in the voices of his children Julie and Mark and reading his life story says just how loved he was and how lucky those who knew him were. My prayers are with all of you.

Gloria Koen - December 31, 2011 at 10:36 PM

HP

“ *Mr Wright sounded like a wonderful man. My thoughts are with you Julie and the rest of your family. Love you girl.*

Heather & Jeff Pike - December 31, 2011 at 06:44 PM

MB

“ *Such a sweet funny man. He was always happy to see me and such a happy guy. He treated me like I was one of his kids. We will miss you!LoveYou!*

Missy Banaga - December 31, 2011 at 06:03 PM

ME

“ *David you were a truly great person you will be greatly missed by all I know your in a better place now with no pain no sickness. I remember all the great times we have had throughout these past years you were truly a great friend of my father George he loved u so dearly and I know that you are both in heaven now together having a good old time. I know we will meet again and until then love u.*

Moyasser elqutob - December 31, 2011 at 12:58 PM