



Hershel Nixon

January 18, 1934 - April 9, 2015

A visitation will be held for Hershel Nixon Monday, April 13, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. at Guerrero-Dean Funeral Home.

Services will follow Tuesday, April 14, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. at Guerrero-Dean Funeral Home.

Burial : Oak Grove Memorial Park, Irving, TX.

Cemetery Details

Oak Grove Memorial Gardens

1413 E. Irving Blvd.
Irving, TX 75060
<http://www.oakgrovememorial.org/>

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 13. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Guerrero-Dean Funeral Home
500 E. Main Street
Grand Prairie, TX 75050
(972) 263-5570

Visitation

APR 14. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

SW

“ My memories of Hershel are many many years ago when I spent most every weekend at their home. Him and Charlotte always made me feel welcome there. Sadly, it has been more than two years since I visited them. But I remember how glad they were to see me. He had the biggest smile and gleam in his eyes as he brought me up to date on the kids, grand kids, and great-grand kids. He loved his family and was proud of each one of them. Even though I don't see the Nixon family much, each one of them will always have a special place in my heart and I'm so sorry for their loss. I will be praying for the family for peace and comfort at this difficult time.
Love, Sandy

Sandy Williams - April 16, 2015 at 06:48 PM

RN

“*Hershel, the message at the honor of you life today, drove home the importance of family. There are so many memories each of us have of you and each one is so important to us. The pictures of you and Dad opened the floodgates of love we have for both of you and I know Dad welcomed you with open arms. Steve's remembrance of Dad firing off the gun while you were using gas to light a camp fire (and everything else!) made me laugh because I was there when it happened. There are so many "remember when" stories and I'm sure we'll repeat them often, because they always make us smile.*



I always knew it was a unique phenomenon that you and Dad knew and felt what the other did and losing you is like losing my own Dad all over again, but I know you are together again and in the arms of our Lord.

Give Dad a hug from us! I promise to keep in better contact with our family here on earth until we have our greatest family reunion in Heaven. Rest in Christ, Uncle Hershel...you'll never be far, for we will carry you in our hearts forever.

*Love,
Randy, Deb and Connor Nixon*

Randy/Debi Nixon - April 14, 2015 at 07:20 PM



“ 37 files added to the album Life Tributes



Guerrero - Dean Funeral Home - April 14, 2015 at 08:52 AM

BJ

“ *I remember how happy he was to see me and my family every time we came to visit . I was new to the family and he made me feel so comfortable the first time I meet him . He would say when he saw my daughter(his great grand daughter) "she's a dandy ! " and that made me smile every time. I will never forget him.*

Brandon Jones - April 14, 2015 at 12:15 AM

RG

“ I have a favorite and profound memory of Hershel. One Sunday morning during church, Sonia (my wife) received a text from Marry that Hershel had been admitted to Los Colinas Medical Center only to realize that Hershel was in the same hospital as my dad, but one room over. Dad had also been in and out of the hospital since early December last year. So when we would see dad we would check in with Mr. Nixon. Hershel was a pleasure to visit with whether the Cowboys happened to be on the TV or Family Feud.

As time passed and Hershel declined, his genuine compassion for me and my dad would come out. At times in his weakness he would ask how dad was, and let us know he was praying for his healing as well. At first when these two men where in the hospital I thought how awesome God was to bring Steve and I to gather to share the experience of our fathers' failing health together, but as usual, my view of what God was doing was quite narrow. In addition I was witness to great courage and grace in Hershel's final days. I thank God for the brief opportunity I had to spend with Hershel.

As a parent of two boys, I concern myself about the legacy I set for my own family. Sonia and I were blown away upon leaving after a particular visit after the family had been called home. The Mrs. Charlotte and family had heard the story of our dads sharing the hospital. Their concern for our family, in the midst of their own pain, was astounding to us. As Hershel, Steve calls to check when he hasn't heard from me. What a legacy indeed!

“Gube”

Richard Gubser - April 13, 2015 at 12:53 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Hershel Nixon.*



April 13, 2015 at 11:49 AM



“ *I always enjoyed watching Hershel throw washers and talk smack at Greg's ranch. I'm sure he's throwing washers in heaven now.*

Chris Bateman - April 13, 2015 at 11:28 AM



“ *Estaline Nixon, Randy and Sandra Davis, & Donald Nixon purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Hershel Nixon.*



Estaline Nixon, Randy and Sandra Davis, & Donald Nixon -
April 13, 2015 at 11:24 AM



“ *Ricky Thorn & Cindy Mitchell purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Hershel Nixon.*



Ricky Thorn & Cindy Mitchell - April 13, 2015 at 11:11 AM

BN

“ *Bob, Lori Simmang (Lori Nixon) purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Hershel Nixon.*



Bob, Lori Simmang (Lori Nixon) - April 13, 2015 at 09:44 AM

LS

“ *For the man who was my Dad's best Friend, I know my Dad was there with open arms to meet his Brother and to take him home. Thinking of the Family and sending prayers. Lori Nixon Simmang.*



Lori Simmang - April 13, 2015 at 08:29 AM

FM

“ *From Aronis & Sachiko "Mama-San" Moore purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Hershel Nixon.*



From Aronis & Sachiko "Mama-San" Moore - April 13, 2015 at 02:00 AM

LF

“ *Love, Ezra & Ula Flowers Family purchased the Garden of Serenity Bouquet for the family of Hershel Nixon.*



Love, Ezra & Ula Flowers Family - April 13, 2015 at 01:52 AM

CR

“ My grandpa loved cookouts. No matter how sick or weak he was, the talk of family gathering to cook out and visiting made him glow with joy. It made him so happy. . No matter how hot it was outside or how hard it was for him to keep his balance and walk...he preferred to be outside watching the men cook and the kids play in the backyard. Those were the best times.

He was such a hard worker always has been. I remember going to visit him and my grandmother and how ecstatic he was to show me his evaluation from his job at Oreilly's. He had a perfect eval. His boss had only positive things to say about him. I will always remember the proud look on his face when he asked me to pass it to my husband. Priceless.

I remember him coming to see my sons play football..it had to have been almost 100° outside and he was struggling to walk due to Vertigo but he was determined to see his great grand sons play. He liked to sit on the end zone in his chair. Sometimes I would go sit with him to keep him company..I will miss that.

My grandfather was a great man. I will miss him and will always remember and love him.

Cristen Ruiz/Nixon.

cristen ruiz/nixon - April 12, 2015 at 09:28 PM

AD

“ Andy Durrett purchased the Strength & Solace S pray for the family of Hershel Nixon.



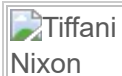
Andy Durrett - April 12, 2015 at 01:17 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Hershel Nixon.*



April 12, 2015 at 12:53 PM



“ *My Handsome,
As I sit here staring at my computer, I can't even find the words to say. You are such an amazing grandpa, dad, great grandpa, friend and so much more. You have impacted so many lives and you touched all of our hearts in many ways. I'll never forget the many times you've called me and said, "Sugar, I made us a cake with no icing, just how we like it." It's funny how the smallest things mean the most. And I'll never forget the first time you held Malea. Your eyes lit up and you were so excited. From then on, she had your heart, just as you had her's. "She's a dandy!" you would say. I can still hear your voice now. Thank you for all of the many year's we got to spend with you. Each and every memory will forever be cherished in my heart. I will never forget them. Until I see you again, go spread your wings and fly Handsome! You deserve it. I love you forever!!!*

*Love always and forever,
Tiff*

Tiffani Nixon - April 12, 2015 at 12:06 PM



“ *THANK YOU HERSHEL FOR BEING MY FRIEND I WILL MISS YOU DEARLY AND MAY YOU REST IN PEACE AS YOU SO DEARLY DESERVE LEONA*

LEONA MCCLURE - April 11, 2015 at 07:45 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Hershel Nixon.*



April 11, 2015 at 11:13 AM



“ *Hershel,
My friend, I remember when we were at the ranch and we were pitching washers, you would stand off by the porch holding the patio hand rail, talking trash and drinking Natural Light, pitching ringers and taking my money. I tried everything but could never beat you.
Pitch on!
Dave*



Dave Belgarde - April 11, 2015 at 09:51 AM

RR

“ Grandpa,

I don't even know how to put into words how I feel. I guess I will start with what a wonderful man you were. You always had such a big smile when I walked in the room. You would always ask Jim about me everyday. I didn't really know you long but it feels like I have known you my whole life. Going to miss hearing your voice everyday and chance will miss being able to watch the football games with you. Your buddy loves and misses you so much. I will not say goodbye just till we see you again. You are no longer in pain and you are able to watch over all of us from above. Enjoy the best seat in the house to watch our Cowboys play! Love and miss you bunches 💕💕



Rebecca Rankin - April 11, 2015 at 09:27 AM



“ Grandpa,

You were such an amazing, caring, and thoughtful person. You would give the shirt off your back to anybody. You are such a special man to me because I only met you when I was three but you loved me from the moment you met me. You loved me, cared for me, and excepted me when you didn't have to because that's just the kind of person you were. The talks we had about our shared existences about having cancer were some of the most meaningful chats we had. We'd always say to each other "we're fighting this together". You always said I was an inspiration to you but truly you are the inspiration. I will continue my battle and fight to beat the cancer with you in mind. I can only pray that I will gain even half the strength you had. I'm happy you're out of pain but I will forever and always love and miss you.

-Susan

Susan Johnson - April 11, 2015 at 02:31 AM



“ Grandpa,

You are a great man, and never placed yourself before others. I learned many lessons from you, and that helped in making me who I am today. Those same lessons are being taught to my kids and will be passed down to future generations. I knew that it would not be the same for me not having you physically around, but I did not realize how much of an impact you have made on my family. Ula and the kids enjoyed spending time with you so much. Ula especially enjoyed your conversations together; she was always excited to see you. You showed true care, and that is what made you such a great person and a pillar of strength. You are deeply missed. It is hard not to be selfish and want you to stay on earth with us, but you taught us to be selfless. Therefore, we have to let you go to a better place, where you will wait for us. The family and I were just watching the recording of the last visit I made to Texas during the ice storm. Even though you were tired from your hospital stay, you still kept a great sense of humor. You left a message for Mamma-san and it went”, Mamma-san, quit chasing those men!” I am very grateful that this is how I get to remember you. The funny strong caring man that you are. Grandpa, love you and please continue to guide us.

-Ezra

Ezra Flowers - April 11, 2015 at 12:11 AM

MN

“ *Hershel,
Where to begin.....you've not been gone long and it already feels like forever. Thank you for loving me like your own daughter and for your continual support and thoughtfulness . I am going to miss our favorite things; your amazing brisket and german chocolate cake and let's not forget our lemon bundt cakes!!! I love you and thank you for being an excellent role model to Stephen. He is an amazing man of God and I know he gets his tenacity and resolve from you. Enjoy youy reward and rest in the holy place God has for you. I will see you one day and after I give you a BIG hug, I'll be ready for our lemon pound cake! xoxo Mary 😊*

Mary Nixon - April 10, 2015 at 10:49 PM

TT

“ *Tim Templin lit a candle in memory of Hershel Nixon*



Tim Templin - April 10, 2015 at 10:38 PM

TT

“ *Tim Templin sent a virtual gift in memory of Hershel Nixon*



Tim Templin - April 10, 2015 at 10:37 PM

TT

“ I will never forget the time Steve and I were at his parent's house and Steve had gone inside to talk to his mother, while he was inside his dad and I were talking out in the garage, and Mr Nixon said to me " If I reach out and hold on to you, it's not because I'm trying to kiss you I just have a hard time standing up on my own and he then said you understand what I'm saying then I said yes sir of course as he followed it up with don't think no funny thoughts about me as he giggled LOL. Hershel Nixon was a true all American Father not only to his own children but to many others as well. I will miss everything about him from his stern attitude to his loving, and caring ways. you will be truly missed and we will meet again someday to share and remember the good times we had. With all my Love.... Tim Templin

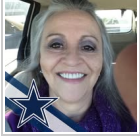
Tim Templin - April 10, 2015 at 10:36 PM

LS

“ Hershel was my friend and coworker he was a good man in every way our world will never be the same without him I will miss our early morning talks and his wisdom and his sence of humor He loved his wife and family and was loyal to them I cant recall him ever speaking badly of anyone He worked so hard I ask him once why he didn't retire and enjoy life while he could and he said maybe next year but he wouldn't give it up he always said Im a worker that's what I do And oh could he ever make the best Gernan Cholote Cake it would melt in your mouth and his pockets were always full of candy and along with that he became known as The Candy Man which fit him because after all he was a sweet heart Rest in peace Hershey until we meet again Love you my friend miss you Lydia



lydia spitz - April 10, 2015 at 10:16 PM



“ Pops, where do I begin? I have so many special memories of you! From the very beginning you accepted me and my kids into the family. I don't know where Susan would be right now if you hadn't been there for her!!! She knew she could go to Grandpa when she felt lost in all her medical issues! You are and always will be Susan's Grandpa!!!

How about the times we bowled together! We might not have been great but we really had fun! Plus the times when you would come watch the girls compete. They felt so special because their Grandpa was watching them!

I also loved the way you BBQ my steak! Steven's good but you were MUCH better!!! Lol

Most of all Pops, I'm going to miss the unconditional love of a Father!!! For the last 17 to 18 years, you showed me what it was like to be loved by a father unconditionally!!! I thank you and will cherish the memories everyday of my life! I love you Pops!!!!!!!

Elizabeth Nixon - April 10, 2015 at 05:26 PM

RT

“ I had the pleasure of getting to hunt with Mr Nixon several times. It didnt matter if we got anything or not we always had fun. The last time we deer hunted, there was a spot right by camp he hunted the whole weekend, dont think he saw anything but he said its a good spot so we named it Mr Nixons spot. Think of him every time I go by there. Will miss my hunting partner but I know he is in better hunting grounds now.

May God Bless and comfort his family during this time..

Ricky Thorn - April 10, 2015 at 03:25 PM

JW

“ The best memory, that comes to mind. All of us guys at gregs for the weekend. Playing washers, & maybe having a cold one here & there!! Lol I was playing against Hershel, I got all the washers in the hole, thought the game was over!! Nope!! Not yet. Hershel started throwing his, and put every single one in the hole, to cover up every single point I thought I had got!! He was a great man, so glad I had the privilege to know him for 24 years!!!

Jason West - April 10, 2015 at 02:42 PM

AL

“ Hi, Papa. You visited me in my dreams last night, I hope you continue to visit me. I don't have all the right words to say, but to be fair I don't think there is a way to fully describe a man like you without it being an understatement. You stepped up as my father when I didn't have one. You loved me no matter how angry I made you. You taught me so much about life and about family. We would butt heads allot because I have so much of you living in me, I looked up to you because you were truly the most amazing man I will ever know. I would apologize for all the wrongs I've done or said, but I know you would tell me "it's alright, baby. I love you anyway." I don't know what to do with myself now that you're gone, you were what held this family together, but I know you're not really gone. You filled a void in my heart that could never be replaced. I will talk to you everyday for the rest of my life and will still visit you when I come to Texas. If I would have known last Sunday was our last goodbye I would have held on to you longer and kissed your forehead more. While this hurts deeper than any pain I've ever known, I'm happy you are finally with your brother, healed and free of any world pains. I will see you one day and that will be the best day of my life. Until then Papa, as you said last Sunday, "see you later, baby."

April Latham - April 10, 2015 at 12:50 PM

SN

“ HEY POP

I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR SHOWING ME HOW TO LIVE LIFE. YOU SHOWED ME HOW TO BE A MAN OF GOD, YOU SHOWED ME HOW TO BE A HUSBAND, DAD, PEPAW. HOW TO DO PRACTICAL JOKES AND HOW YO LAUGH AT MYSELF. HOW TO BE HONEST NO MATTER THE COST, TO BE FAIR AND TO PROTECT THE ONES I LOVE NO MATTER WHAT. TREAT PEOPLE WITH RESPECT AND BE HARSH WHEN I HAVE TO. YOU TAUGHT ME GOOD WORK ETHICS AND HOW TO RETIRE. I NEVER WILL FORGET WHEN YOU TOLD ME ON YOU LAST HOSPITAL STAY. YOU SAID "SON IM SO VERY PROUD OF YOU, WE BUTT HEADS ALOT BUT YOURE MY BEST FRIEND AND THATS WHAT BEST FRIENDS DO. WE LAUGH IT OFF TILL THE NEXT".

POP DONT WORRY ABOUT MOMMA I PROMISE I WILL TAKE CARE OF HER. I WILL BE THERE THERE WHEN SHE NEEDS ME. I WILL CHECH ON HER EVERYDAY.

IM REALLY GONNA MISS YOU BUD, YOUR CALL WHEN THE WEATHERS BAD OR YOU JUST CALLING TO MAKE FUN OF MY TEXAS RANGERS. YOU LOVED THEM TOO BUT YOU ALWAYS LOVED TO TEASE ME ABOUT THEM

IM NEVER GONNA FORGET YOU BUT I WILL DO MY BEST TO LIVE UP TO YOUR STANDARDS. ILL MAKE YOU EVEN MORE PROUD. HAVE FUN BUD WITH HERB AND I WILL SEE YOU ONE DAY BUT I N THE MEAN TIMEGO SPREAD YOUR WINGS AND ENJOY YOUR FREEDOM. NO MORE SUFFERING, NO MORE PAIN, NO MORE BED. YOURE HEALED NOW.

TALK YO ME ANYTIME YOU WANT AS I WILL BE TALKING TO YOU DAILY..

THANKS FOR BEING SUCH AN AWESOME DAD A MAN THAT LOVED ME NO MATTER WHAT I DID, AND I DID ALOT BUT YOU WERE ALWAYS THERE. THANKS FOR ALL THE ADVICE AND

*BUTT CHEWINGS THAT I LEARNED FROM. BUT MOST OF ALL
THANKS FOR BEING MY BEST FRIEND*

I LOVE YOU AND TRULY MISS YOU

STEVE NIXON

STEVE NIXON - April 10, 2015 at 12:23 PM