The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever...

Psalm 23

In Loving Memory ...



DARRELL D. "DAVE" PORTER, III

January 9, 1951 ~ January 18, 2022

Darrell D. "Dave" Porter III, of Brenham, passed away on January 18, 2022. Dave was born on January 9, 1951 in Houston, TX to parents Darrell II and Maxine (Boedecker) Porter. He grew up in Houston and graduated from Robert E. Lee High School in 1970.

After graduating from high school, Dave entered the Coast Guard. During his four years active duty, he was assigned to Haiti and Cuba. He was very proud to have served his country in the armed forces. He was honorably discharged in 1974.

After returning to civilian life, Dave began his 35 year employment with Liftmore Cranes in Houston. He started as a machinist but worked his way up to plant manager. Dave had an active role in building the company and assisting with expansion over the years. Dave had an integral role in developing the machinery and fabrication processes.

Dave's start as a machinist taught him skills that always stuck with him; the importance of being detail oriented and thorough in your work. By the time he picked up woodworking as a hobby in his older years, he already knew the importance of "measure twice, cut once". Dave built many treasured pieces for the family home and all of them displayed his love and care.

Dave loved his retirement home in Somerville TX in the Birch Creek Estates. He enjoyed making friends with his fellow HOA participants. Dave also loved his lab, Lucy. She followed him everywhere, whether he was running errands or working around the house. In his younger years, Dave and son Randy made many wonderful memories fishing in Galveston Bay. Dave loved his boat and enjoyed going out on the water.

Dave is survived by his wife of 36 years, Mary (Martin) Porter; their son Randy and wife Myriam; beloved dog companion Lucy; and his many longtime friends from Liftmore Cranes.

Honorary pallbearers will be Randy Porter, Randy Martin Sr., Richard Martin, and Randy Martin Jr.

A visitation will be held from 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at Memorial Oaks Chapel prior to the funeral service. A funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at Memorial Oaks Chapel. Burial will be at Houston National Cemetery.

Order of Service

Words of Welcome; Opening Prayer

Brother Wess Pratt

"When I get where I'm Going"

Brad Paisley

Scripture Reading

"O Death, where is your sting? O Hades where is your victory? The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ..." 1 Corinthians 15:55

"And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow—not even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love..." Romans 8:38

"Fear not, for I am with you; Be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, Yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand..." Isaiah 41:10

How Great Thou Art

Anthem Lights

Obituary

Brother Wess Pratt

Eulogy: Memories of Dad *Randy Porter*

Prayer

Brother Wess Pratt

Amazing Grace

Glenn Campbell

Closing Prayer; Dismissal

Brother Wess Pratt