



David Kent Gamble

December 14, 1953 - February 13, 2026

Kent Gamble was born on December 14, 1953, to Johnny and Norma Gamble, of Lubbock Texas. At a young age, Kent's mother described his energy as wild and boisterous, which foreshadowed his eventual love for self-expression through the art of drawing cartoons; particularly caricatures. Kent played football and ran track at Monterey High School (class of 1972). While studying advertising at Texas Tech University, he was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity. He drew cartoons for the student body magazine, *La Ventana*, and later for nationally distributed *Cracked* and *Crazy* magazines, and for many other publications. Perhaps Kent's most notable published piece was the gangster-spoof paperback, "*The Touchables*" both written and illustrated by him.

Besides being a father to his only child, Ryan Elizabeth Gamble, drawing professionally was among his greatest passions, as well as: taking in films, history, Texas Tech sports, and the jumble puzzle in the *Avalanche Journal*. For as humorous and fun as he was, Kent was an extremely grounded and pragmatic person; always reliable. When he wasn't spending time with his wife, Dana Gamble, or collecting the original artworks of Mort Drucker (of *MAD* magazine), or watching reruns of his mid-century television favorites, he worked as President of Stewart Title of Lubbock for over 35 years. Anyone who had the privilege of closing their home with Kent will tell you that he managed to make something as drab as document signing fun, leaving

anyone in the room in stitches by the time it was over.

Kent is preceded in death by his mother, Norma Gamble, and his father, Johnny Gamble. He is survived by his wife of 33 years, Dana Gamble, his brother and sister-in-law, Phil and Kasha Gamble (of Austin) and their children, his stepmother, Trudy Gamble (of Lubbock), and his daughter, Ryan Gamble (of Austin) and son-in-law, Jason Farrar.

A memorial Service will be held at 11:00 am on Friday, March 6, 2026 at the First United Methodist Church Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly suggests that memorial donations be made to Treasured Times at First United Methodist Church-Lubbock, 1411 Broadway St, Lubbock, TX 79401.

Cemetery Details

Miller Crematory

202 Avenue Q
Lubbock, TX 79415

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 6. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
1411 Broadway St
Lubbock, TX 79401
(806) 763-4607

Tribute Wall



“ Sanders Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of David Kent Gamble



Sanders Funeral Home - March 02 at 11:10 AM

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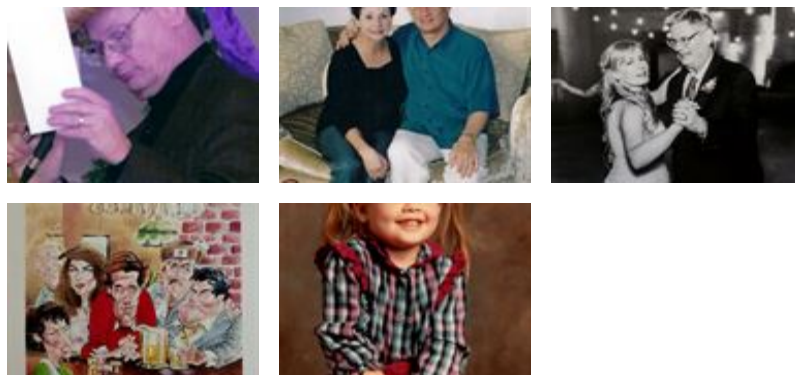
“ Jewel, Steven, Debbie Holbert, Rita Neal purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of David Kent Gamble.



Jewel, Steven, Debbie Holbert, Rita Neal - March 03 at 11:03 AM



“ 55 files added to the album Life Tributes



Sanders Funeral Home - March 02 at 10:32 AM

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“ Had privilege of meeting Kent several years back when he and Dana hosted Dana family get-together. Dana sister Debbie Daniel Lolley was my best friend at Lubbock High School 1967-1970 and was given a tour of his home drawing studio, it was simply breath taking. Then in 2013 we needed some advice with home title information and called Kent at the Title Company and he got us directed to an amazing lady that immediately met with us and took care of everything we needed done. Our sincere condolences to all the Kent Gamble family and friends, but especially to our sweet extended sisters, Dana and DeDe. Love, hugs, prayers during this most difficult journey.
Lee-Dewey (Craft) Carpenter.

Lee-Dewey Carpenter - February 19 at 12:55 PM

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“ I'm very sorry to hear of Kent's passing. The pictures I saw that he drew were amazing. He was a man that knew what he liked. Although I knew him a short time he could be serious or even funny; you never knew what side of him you were going to get. May he rest in peace

Shelly S - February 18 at 06:27 AM

DS

“ Kent was a great brother n law , He was always was willing to show visiting relatives the sites of Lubbock , even though he had been there 30 times before !Lubbock will miss him in all the restaurants he would take clients !

Delisa Stanberry - February 17 at 08:57 PM

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“ *Kent was a remarkable person. He drew a picture of my three cats and myself (DeDe) sister n law , that I will always cherish a one of a kind Kent Gamble original . He will be remembered always !*

Delisa Stanberry - February 17 at 07:57 PM