



David Lane Shaw

September 29, 1950 - January 20, 2016

Suns up, guns up!
And up extra high
for David Lane Shaw
Class of '05!

Born September 29, 1950, in Weatherford, Texas, David is the son of the late Alvis L. Shaw and Billie J. Shaw-Bell of Aledo. He was the salt of the earth and the wildest man east of Terlingua, and smallest man to play Texas Tech football.

He didn't get along with everyone but was loyal. He should have had kids to temper his personality, but had enough nieces and nephews. If he is remembered for anything, it was for accruing over 300 hours while getting a Civil Engineering degree from Texas Tech, and his diehard attempts at keeping the family farm together and alive the memory of Alvis Shaw.

He met "the love of his life" on an online dating service only a dozen years ago. In an email to Johnnie Charlotte Gunby, whom he eventually married, he wrote of himself, "I'm a foot-washin' Primitive Baptist and attend services regularly. We sing a Capella, ain't Church of Christ, don't have Sunday School and all the extracurricular BS or organized missions, and are not "Calvinist", (or defensive) just hard-shell. We don't handle snakes..."

He was a legend among rough men and thieves. He knew their tricks and how to avoid them, waging a 30-year war against invasive gas and oil companies, all while twisting his full handlebar moustache. He loved his hometown of Aledo and made his mark by single handedly uniting nearly 300 tracts of land and bringing millions in oil royalties to that community, directly into the accounts of his family, friends, and neighbors. These payments served to aid his community by supplementing fixed incomes and funding college tuition. David fought so hard for the best interest of his town he was considered a "hostile party" by the oil company at the end of the deal and was not able to benefit from his own investment of time.

David's scruples and moxie gained him enemies as well as friends. Women had a love-hate relationship with him; dogs adored him. Sometimes he was wrong, but more often he was right. God will sort it out.

David passed away unexpectedly Tuesday, January 20, 2016, in Lubbock, with his custom-made Texas Tech boots on his feet. Following a service at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, January 23, in the Lubbock Primitive Baptist Church, he will be laid to rest in Brown Cemetery in Aledo at 2 p.m. Sunday, January 24.

He is survived by his wife, Johnnie Charlotte Gunby Shaw, step-daughter Charisa Williams, grandsons Christopher Gunby and Darius Blair, all of Lubbock, mother Billie Shaw-Bell, sister Susie Shaw Burress of Aledo, sister and brother-in-law, Cheryl Shaw Green and Rick Green of Lufkin, and his nieces and nephews, Jessica Green Noteware of Tyler, Celeste Green Leinberger of Mexia, Jared Green of Houston, Sarah Smith of Georgia, Rachel Tolliver of Aledo, Nathan Burress of Fort Worth, Hannah, Rebekah, and John Mark Burress, all of Aledo, and 12 great nieces and nephews.

His larger-than-life personality will be sorely missed.

In lieu of flowers you can donate to the American Diabetes Foundation or help someone dear to David and by contributing to Chad Keifer's gofundme.com/u8rut58 and help them in David's memory.

Cemetery Details

Brown Cemetery

Hwy1187 & 1.4 miles NNW of Aledo
Aledo, TX 76008

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **22**. 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Sanders Funeral Home
1420 Main Street
Lubbock, TX 79401
(806) 763-6433
director@sandersfuneralhome.com
<https://www.sandersfuneralhome.com>

Service

JAN **23**. 10:30 AM (CT)

Primitive Baptist Church
4401 N. University Ave
Lubbock, TX 79415

Graveside Service

JAN **24**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ David was one of a kind. It was my good fortune to know him and grow up with him in small town Aledo. Even in those days, he was larger than life. A good man and a good friend. My sympathy goes out to the entire Shaw extended family.

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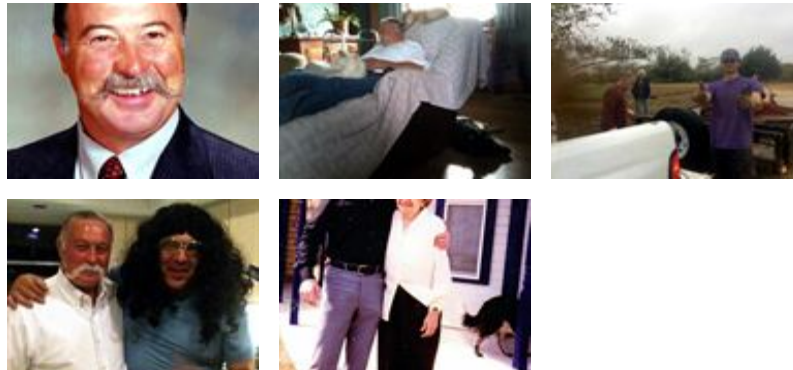
“ Tom and Ann Madison purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of David Lane Shaw.



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