



## Dwayne Vernon "J.B." Cochran

March 19, 1943 - October 15, 2023

Dwayne Vernon "J.B." Cochran, 80, of Charleston, West Virginia passed away October 15, 2023.

Dwayne was born March 19, 1943 in Nevada City, CA to Emmett and Loretta Cochran. He was a Boy Scout and received his Eagle Scout Badge. Dwayne graduated from Midland High School, Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering Physics, and post-graduate work at Texas Tech. He was a designer in the Aircraft Industry; worked for Caterpillar, Inc. designing various heavy equipment. In 1979, he moved to Midland designing Off-Shore Drilling Rigs. His design expertise led him to travel all over the world.

While attending Texas Tech, J.B. was very involved with the Saddle Tramps, and he helped design the Seal and the fountain at Texas Tech. J.B. loved his Red Raiders.

He was a very active father to his daughters and was involved with all their activities; coaching girls' softball, he was a band and orchestra dad, helping with homework from anywhere in the world. Beginning in his college years, he tutored, mentored, encouraged, and inspired generations of people who went on to have successful lives.

J.B. was a Christian and loved his God, his country and his family and friends. He never knew a stranger, was always willing to help anyone in need and always had a smile on his face.

In the last years of his life, he enjoyed the mountains, forests and rivers of West Virginia.

Loved ones include life partner, Jaime Simmons of Charleston, W.V.; daughters, Erica Cochran of Lubbock, and Whitney Cochran of Sweetwater; Jennifer Miller Cochran, whom he was married to for twenty-nine years; grandchildren, M'Kayla, Breyden, Alexis and Jacob; great-grandchildren, Wyatt and Hensley; numerous nieces, nephews and other family members.

Preceded in death by Emmett Cochran (Father), Loretta Cochran (Mother), Phyllis Spalding (Sister), brother, Larry Cochran.

We would like to thank the staff at Cedar Ridge Nursing Home in Sissonville, WV, who took amazing care of him.

The family will receive friends at Sanders Funeral Home Tuesday, October 24, 2023, 5:00 to 6:30 PM. A celebration of his life will be at 2:00 PM Wednesday, October 25, 2023 in Sanders Memorial Chapel. Graveside services will follow in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park. Please celebrate the life of Dwayne by visiting [www.sandersfuneralhome.com](http://www.sandersfuneralhome.com). A webcast of services will be available as well as our online guest book.

# Cemetery Details

## Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park

15602 TX-493 Loop  
Lubbock, TX 79423

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **24**. 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (CT)

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

## Funeral Service

OCT **25**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Sanders Memorial Chapel  
1420 Main Street  
Lubbock, TX 79401

# Tribute Wall



“ Sanders Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Dwayne Vernon "J.B." Cochran



Sanders Funeral Home - October 25, 2023 at 09:50 AM



“ Sanders Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dwayne Vernon "J.B." Cochran



Sanders Funeral Home - October 24, 2023 at 12:55 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Dwayne Vernon "J.B." Cochran.



October 25, 2023 at 10:41 AM



“ JB was a good man, husband, father, friend and talented engineer. Living in Lubbock in the 70’s, we have happy memories, visiting, weekend cookouts, canning, and traveling to the Miller’s cabin in northern New Mexico. We cherish those times and celebrate JB’s home-going, pain free. God bless his family and love ones.



Chris and Suzie Sommerfeldt - October 25, 2023 at 10:13 AM

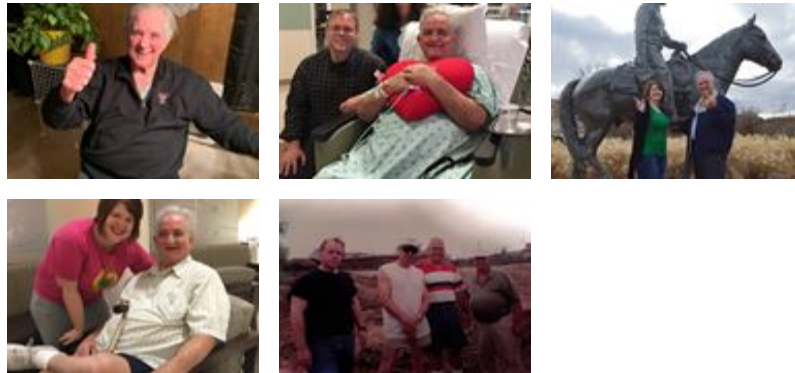


“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dwayne Vernon "J.B." Cochran.

October 24, 2023 at 08:55 PM



“ 52 files added to the album Life Tributes



Sanders Funeral Home - October 24, 2023 at 12:55 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dwayne Vernon "J.B." Cochran.*



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October 24, 2023 at 11:35 AM



“ *Thank you for the wonderful pictures of Dwayne in his youth and with his family. I met him when he volunteered day after day in Charleston at the State Archives Library sorting and preserving newspapers and helping people. What an interesting, authentic and kind human being! It was my honor to work with him. - Maggie Linsky*

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**Maggie Linsky** - October 24, 2023 at 07:26 AM



“ *David ,Donna ,Dawn and Dana Divine purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dwayne Vernon "J.B." Cochran.*



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**David ,Donna ,Dawn and Dana Divine** - October 23, 2023 at 09:23 PM



“ *David ,Donna ,Dawn and Dana Divine planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dwayne Vernon "J.B." Cochran.*

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**David ,Donna ,Dawn and Dana Divine** - October 23, 2023 at 09:23 PM

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“ JB was a great friend, room mate, engineer and mentor. Donna and I will miss him. He taught me to study and to never give up. I'm sure that the things that I accomplished in life are due in a great part to him. I wish I could have had one last cup of coffee with him at Broadway Drug.

David and Donna Divine - October 23, 2023 at 09:13 PM



“ 36 files added to the album Life Tributes



Sanders Funeral Home - October 23, 2023 at 06:05 PM

GW

“ Glenna Balch, Jay Balch and Ann Woodall purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Dwayne Vernon "J.B." Cochran.



Glenna Balch, Jay Balch and Ann Woodall - October 23, 2023 at 06:02 PM

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“ *Nichola, Bixby & Beau Baker Families purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dwayne Vernon "J.B." Cochran.*



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**Nichola, Bixby & Beau Baker Families** - October 23, 2023 at 05:42 PM

JG

“ *At Midland HS, I knew and appreciated Dwayne and his brother Larry. They were both outgoing and loyal to their friends. Dwayne's accomplishments are no surprise as he could complete almost any task he set out as a goal. .... Best wishes to his family.*

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**james gammon** - October 23, 2023 at 11:16 AM

EC

*Thank you so much for sharing!! Larry passed away Sept 21 just a few weeks before my dad. Both were AMAZING men. Yes he completed everything and now is his time to rest!! He won the race.*

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**Erica Cochran** - October 23, 2023 at 12:55 PM

YG

“ *Your friend George purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dwayne Vernon "J.B." Cochran.*



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**Your friend George** - October 23, 2023 at 10:55 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dwayne Vernon "J.B." Cochran.*



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October 22, 2023 at 10:25 AM