



David Wright Hannah Jr.

June 30, 1940 - September 21, 2022

David Wright Hannah Jr., 82 of Houston passed away September 21, 2022. David was born June 30, 1940, in Detroit, Michigan to David and Elizabeth Hannah. He is preceded in death by his parents and his brother, James Hannah. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen, of 54 years of marriage. (Children) Christina Hannah Storey and husband James Storey and Jennifer Hannah and husband Jared Grimley, (Grandchildren) Margaret Hannah Grimley, Daniel Hannah Grimley, Nathaniel Storey, and Theodora Storey, (nieces and nephews) Martica Heaner, Anthony Heaner, John Heaner III, Andrea Nguyen, Mark Heaner, Gwendolyn Heaner, Shannon Meadows, and Grant Emison.

David grew up in Houston and graduated from St. Thomas High School, the University of Notre Dame, and the University of Texas School of Law. He served as a First Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Adjutant Central Corps. He was a commercial real estate lawyer in Houston for over forty years.

David was a long-distance runner and was involved in the long-distance running community in Houston starting in the early 1970s. He was the race director of the Houston Marathon for 23 years.

A Funeral Mass will be held Thursday September 29, 2022, at 2:00 PM at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Walsingham, 7809 Shadyvilla Lane Houston, Texas

77055 with reception to follow on church grounds. In lieu of flowers please consider a charitable donation in David's name to a charity of your choice.

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

SEP **29**. 2:00 PM (CT)

The Cathedral of Our Lady of Walsingham
7809 Shadyvilla Lane
Houston, TX 77055

Tribute Wall



“ *David Wright Hannah Jr.*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *David Wright Hannah Jr.*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *David Wright Hannah Jr.*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *David Wright Hannah Jr.*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ *I had the great privilege and joy to be around David volunteering on the Marathon for almost 20 years. I can't imagine working for a better person. He was always upbeat and, in a gentle way, he was a terrific motivator. Never lost his cool. True story: One race back in the 80s, I was involved with a press truck that decided to die less than ten minutes before the start. Would not start. I was mortified. David walked over, surveyed the situation and calmly said, "Well, just push it out of the way. We'll find another." We did and the race went off on time without a hitch.*

Robert Forrest Alexander - September 28, 2022 at 01:15 PM

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“ To Kathy and family: Your great loss is felt by so many people. Know that David was loved and respected by everyone who knew him. David so loved the running world that he devoted hours to improving whatever he worked on. Tom and I did work closely with him on the marathon in particular. A fond and funny memory of mine is David calling me at work two or three times a week saying, “You got just a minute?” And it would turn into 30 or so until I had to remind him where I was. David loved that our committee members were all working as volunteers. The time came, however, when we realized that to sustain the growth that David brought about, we needed to have an office. That meant paying a couple of people. He took it well and became an inspiration to the small staff which now numbers about a dozen. David W Hannah was not only a good man, he was a great man. God bless him and his family.

Tom & Mary Anne McBrayer

Mary Anne Tom & McBrayer - September 28, 2022 at 01:15 PM

GH

“ David was a wonderful and giving man. He served others with a zeal & energy unknown to most people. He brought me into the fold of the Houston Marathon in late 1979. I closely worked with David for the next 17 years until I moved to San Antonio. The Houston Marathon is internationally highly regarded - this is a testament to work of David and those he inspired to work with him on this great event - all were 100% volunteers, not a cent paid for their work and lead by a great leader - David W. Hannah, Jr. He loved hard rock - that I could never figure out. He loved his family - and so did all who met them.

George Harcourt - September 26, 2022 at 09:06 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of David Wright Hannah Jr..*



September 26, 2022 at 05:46 PM



“ *For years, David and I worked closely with one another, first downtown, then in the Galleria area. At that time, we ate lunch with one another about twice each week.*

We had a favorite deli in The Heights that we frequented often. When we finished our meal, weather permitting, we'd each get a candy bar and stroll 18th street discussing politics and baseball. We made a number of Astros games together with he and Kathleen.

After we had both retired, we still met for lunch about every three or four weeks discussing the state of the world and political affairs.

Jim Putnam - September 26, 2022 at 04:58 PM

KB

“ David and I go back to 4th grade at St. Vincent de Paul school. We maintained close contact until we set off on our separate career paths after college. We played football together at St. Vincent's and at the vacant lot Kirby Drive Rose Bowl. The latter venue involved Beckers, Bordelons, Fonte and Sehl in spirited competition that served us well in later life.

David always took a leadership role in everything he did, from St. Thomas football to senior class president to Christmas party organizer during our college years.

One lasting memory is his Mom coming to the front door and yelling "David will be right out" as Eddie Sehl's car pool to St. Thomas waited at the curb. Notre Dame and the Army probably corrected that.

Kent Bordelon

Kent Bordelon - September 26, 2022 at 11:31 AM