



George Denton Dailey, Jr.

March 9, 1944 - November 27, 2019

George Denton Dailey Jr. age 75, passed away peacefully on November 27th, 2019 in Houston, Texas with his wife and daughter by his side. Denton was born March 9, 1944 in Yorktown, Texas to George Denton & Edna (Piehl) Dailey. He is preceded in death by his father, mother and sister Diane. He is survived by his wife Sherriann Wright Dailey and daughter Dana Lyn Dailey. He leaves behind sister in law Lynette Harrison and brother in law Wayne Wright, numerous nieces and nephews including Gwyn, Haley, Michael, Matthew, Michelle and Kristi.

Raised in Alice, Texas where he graduated from William Adams High School in 1962. He then attended the University of Texas Austin and Texas A&I Kingsville. Denton married his high school sweetheart, Sherriann in June of 1964. Shortly there after they moved to Houston where they had their daughter Dana and resided until 1993. They then called Corpus Christi home for the next 25 years. Most recently they were living in Kerrville enjoying retirement.

During his career, Denton worked in instrumentation sales for Orbit Valves, Parker Hannifin and Rawson. After 33 years at Rawson, he retired due to health complications. In 2014 he was given the most precious gift from Jojo Young, a pair of life saving lungs. After recovering from the transplant, he worked part-time at Texas Steam until his second retirement.

He was known for his quick wit, sharp tongue, excellent memory and vast knowledge of history. Denton was an avid collector of World War II memorabilia and guns. He had a passion for cars, oldies music (especially Roy Orbison), history books, cooking and exotic cowboy boots. Denton was most comfortable in a room full of people cutting up and telling tall tales. He definitely had the gift of gab. As a member of the Coastal A's Car Club in Corpus Christi, he won multiple awards for his '71 Chevelle, '84 El Camino and '03 Anniversary Edition Corvette. When not working on his cars or guns, Denton enjoyed reading in his recliner with Pinks and Trouble purring by his side. His happiest and most memorable times, however, were those spent with Sherri and Dana.

Visitation will be on Wednesday, December 11th from 5 pm to 7 pm at Dettling Funeral Home located at 14094 Memorial Drive, Houston, Texas 77079. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Alpha-1 Foundation (alpha1.org), helping find a cure for the disease that Denton fought so bravely until the end.

<https://www.alpha1.org>

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 11. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Dettling Funeral Home
14094 Memorial Drive
Houston, TX 77079
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Tribute Wall



“ George Denton Dailey, Jr.

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ George Denton Dailey, Jr.

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ George Denton Dailey, Jr.

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ George Denton Dailey, Jr.

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ I used to work with Denton as his inside sales person in the late 80's and early 90's at Rawson -Deer Park ,before he moved to Corpus Christi as Branch Manager. We had so much fun with Denton. He LOVED to play practical jokes with other outside sales folks ! He was a card ! One of a kind -great guy !! And he always spoke of his beloved Wife and Daughter. He will be missed dearly. Thank you Denton for all the memories.

Steve Degelia - December 12, 2019 at 11:22 AM

TJ

“ *Tanya and Javier purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of George Denton Dailey, Jr..*



Tanya and Javier - December 11, 2019 at 04:49 PM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of George Denton Dailey, Jr..*



December 11, 2019 at 12:40 PM



“ *Beautiful Whisper was purchased for the family of George Denton Dailey, Jr..*



December 11, 2019 at 09:36 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of George Denton Dailey, Jr..*



December 11, 2019 at 09:32 AM



“ *Love Everlasting Bouquet was purchased for the family of George Denton Dailey, Jr..*



December 10, 2019 at 12:09 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of George Denton Dailey, Jr..*



December 10, 2019 at 12:08 PM



“ *My heart is broken!!!!!! He was the smartest, brightest, sharpest, wittiest and Best friend of WAHS '62 ever!!!!!! A great husband father and friend!!!!!! Denton Dailey will always be loved and remembered by ALL who were Blessed to grow up with him and remain his lifelong friend!!!!!! God Bless you, Sherriann Wright Dailey and Dana!!!!!! All my love and sympathy to both of you!!!!!! Say hello to everyone in Heaven, Denton!!!!!!*

Kathleen Cawthon - December 09, 2019 at 12:02 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Life Tributes*



Dettling Funeral Home - December 06, 2019 at 10:55 AM



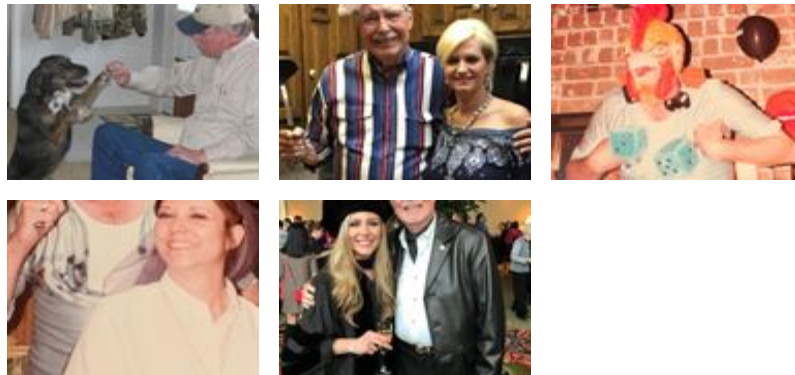
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Dettling Funeral Home - December 05, 2019 at 04:00 PM



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Dettling Funeral Home - December 05, 2019 at 12:34 PM



“ *Annie and Nam Dinh purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of George Denton Dailey, Jr..*



Annie and Nam Dinh - December 02, 2019 at 08:35 PM

VR

“ One of the good guys, Roy Orbison fan, colorful Texas persona, living in the moment, Denton possessed the best of the 50's and 60's. He is at rest now--maybe telling stories to the heavenly hosts--but a bright light has left us.

Vicky H Reinke, Class of 1962

Vicky H Reinke - December 01, 2019 at 08:19 PM

LV

“ Denton and I have been friends for about 60 years. Sherri mentioned his love for Roy Orbison and I think that Denton and I saw Roy together at a concert in Corpus Christi. I don't remember the year, but I am sure was about 1961. We went lots of places together and for a time, Russell DaMetz and Russell Covey and Denton and I hung out together a lot. For example, we worked together to help convert the garage at Russell Covey's into an extra bedroom for the parsonage. I remember being of no help to him when he tried to put 3 two-barrel carbs, 3 duces, on his red and white Chevy. I knew Denton well and considered him a very close and good friend. I am glad I got to visit with him recently since I moved back to Louisiana from Massachusetts.

Lou Vogel

Lou Vogel - December 01, 2019 at 07:28 PM

PP

“ Denton was so much fun to be around. I remember all the funny hunting stories he told at Rawson. He was such a colorful character with his western hat and suits. He was always so nice to all of us at Rawson. He will be missed. Rest in peace my friend - Patsy Price

Patsy Price - December 01, 2019 at 12:40 PM

DD

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



ddailey@rioenergy.com - November 30, 2019 at 11:06 PM

PF

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Penny Redwood Fruth - November 30, 2019 at 07:55 PM

PF

Both photos of then and now show the inherent kindness in his face. Our class was happy when he received his lung transplant and rooted for him during the recovery process. Denton remained steadfast throughout. He was a beautiful child and a fine man. He made the world a better place by being here..

Penny Redwood Fruth - November 30, 2019 at 08:10 PM

RD

“ *Denton and I became friends in 1957 or 1958 in Alice and shared many good times together. As roommates at the University of Texas in the fall of 1962, Denton convinced me to go on a double date with him and two student nurses from Seton School of nursing. That is how I met my first wife, Nelle.*

Russell DaMetz - November 30, 2019 at 06:29 PM

DA

“ *Many prayers and condolences to Denton's family. We graduated together and he was one of the good guys.*

Daphne Hart Adams

Daphne Adams - November 30, 2019 at 02:48 PM