



Holley Mitchell "Mitch" Cornette

July 17, 1953 - April 2, 2011

H. Mitchell Cornette, a wonderful and loving husband, father, and friend passed away April 2, 2011. Mitch touched many lives with his generosity, loyalty, and laughter and he will be greatly missed by his family and friends all over the world.

Mitch is survived by his loving wife of 32 years Carol Ann Cornette, his son, Brian Mitchell Cornette and wife Ying, and his daughter Hayley Ann Cornette, his parents Jesse D. and Alpha S. Cornette, brother Jackie, and sister Susie and their extended families, Carol's parents Ann and Ed Hinkley, Brother in-Law Richard and his children Ricky and Lisa, and the Silvia Fernandez family.

Mitch was born on July 17, 1953 in Panama City, Florida and graduated from Rutherford High School. He worked his way through college at the University of Florida, where he earned a Master's degree in Chemical Engineering in 1978. Mitch had a long and distinguished career in the oil and gas industry. He began his career with Amoco in Lafayette Louisiana and also worked for Sonat and El Paso in Houston. He was currently working for Chevron as the Intellectual Property Manager for Drilling and Completions. He became a world wide traveler during his tenure at Chevron and contributed to engineering operations in Australia, Brazil, Indonesia, and Japan to name a few.

During his outstanding career, he earned numerous awards for engineering innovation and leadership in completion design. He served as Chairman of the Completion Engineering Association and on numerous panels and advisory boards. He was always thinking of better ways to engineer things and had earned at least 19 patents in the field of Completion and Production Engineering. Mitch especially enjoyed teaching and mentoring others and was a “go to” person who could always be relied on for assistance. He is an inspiration to many because of his insights, career guidance, and of course humor.

Mitch was full-spirited, had a great disposition and was always engaging. He was a good friend and colleague to many and will be sadly missed. His unique sense of humor and compassion made all who knew him feel that they were special to him. Mitch dearly loved to fish from his boat or wading in West Bay. He was an exceptional cook who made the best BBQ ribs in the world.

Mitch was a devoted and loving husband and father and always put his family first. Although he excelled at work he always said that his greatest accomplishment was his family. He was selfless in his desire to give his children the love and support they needed to become good adults and loving parents. His memory will be cherished by generations to come.

Family and friends are invited to a Celebration of Life Memorial Service to be held at Memorial Drive United Methodist Church, 12955 Memorial Drive, on Tuesday April 12, at 4pm. For those desiring, the family requests with gratitude that in lieu of flowers, contributions be made in Mitch’s memory to one of the following: March of Dimes, American Diabetes Assoc., American Cancer Society, or the ASPCA

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR **12**. 4:00 PM (CT)

Memorial Drive United Methodist Church
12955 Memorial Drive
Houston, TX
<http://www.mdumc.org>

Tribute Wall



“ *Holley Mitchell "Mitch" Cornette*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Holley Mitchell "Mitch" Cornette*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Holley Mitchell "Mitch" Cornette*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *Holley Mitchell "Mitch" Cornette*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM

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“ Mitch,
What fond memories we shared of Tyndall AFB, Rutherford High,
and Gulf Coast Jr. College. My parents, brothers, and I loved you.
You were always a gentleman, an anchor in advice, and an
adventurous spirit. You had an enormous respect for life and shared
my joie- de- vivre. Thank you for finding Wayne when he went back
to Florida. Enjoyed all the fun times, e.g., studying on the beach,
scalloping in the water, or just talking about life, in general. Sorry we
lost touch after graduation, Dad's retirement, and my return to New
Orleans.
May God bless you. I pray for you, my brother, mother, and father
everyday. Your body might have left this earth, but your spirit
remains. What a pleasure and inspiration you were to all who met
you. People like you made the world a brighter place. My regrets to
your wife and children.
Prayerfully and perpetually your friend,
Wanda

Wanda Hinrichs-Schultz - August 20, 2015 at 05:30 PM

HR

“ We got to know Mitch through Girl Scouts and Orchestra. Mitch was
a great volunteer to both organization. He organized a fishing trip for
the Girl Scouts and dads. Everyone had a great time. He was an
early volunteer for the Taylor Orchestra trip to New York. His humor
and energy was enjoyed by both the kids and the other parent
chaperones. Mitch will be missed. Our heart felt sympathy to Carol,
Brian and Hayley.

Harold, Janice & Caitlin Reeves

Harold Reeves - April 11, 2011 at 09:38 PM

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“ I remember when our bldg at Greenway was flooded. Mitch and I had to climb up to the 25th floor to get our computers and files so we could work from home! He even had enough energy at the top to bust a door down (can't remember who's door it was).

Liz Randall - April 11, 2011 at 08:03 AM

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“ I remember the sunday before my first day of work at El Paso, Mitch calls me to ask if I wanted to join he and Earl to watch a frac job at Baker's office that day. I could hardly say no! It was a long day - I got home in time to get ready for my first day of work at El Paso!!

Liz Randall - April 11, 2011 at 08:01 AM