

WAYNE DAVIS

1937-2014

DECATUR: Wayne Davis, 76, died Saturday, January 4, 2014, in Decatur, Texas.

Wayne Davis was born February 27, 1937 in Thornberry, Texas to Louis and Grace (Freeman) Davis. Wayne graduated from Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls with a Bachelor's degree in history. As a college athlete, he played both basketball and baseball. Wayne is still ranked 7th overall for average scoring in a single season 1958/59. After graduating, he completed Officer Training School in Fort Eustes, Virginia where he became a Captain in the US Army Transportation Corps. Following the military, he played semi professional basketball for the Dallas Drillers. In their 1960-1961 season, the Dallas Drillers were undefeated.

Wayne was united in marriage to Sandra Power on June 23, 1962. After a career in marketing and sales for International Harvester in Dallas, Wayne opened his own dealership in Oklahoma where the family resided for over 40 years. As one of the top dealers Wayne was placed on the Massey Ferguson Dealer Counsel for the United States and Canada. He won many sales campaigns over the years earning travel for himself and his family from across the US, Europe and Africa. He also continued to compete for years in recreational basketball and softball where he was inducted into the Oklahoma Softball Hall of Fame.

Survivors include his wife of over 51 years, Sandra Davis; son, Brad Davis and wife, Tera both of Decatur; two daughters, Lisa Furey and husband, Jim of Denver, Colorado and Jane Wood and husband, Joel of Ann Arbor, Michigan; five grandchildren, Laura and Colin Furey; Jack Wood; and Will and Cole Davis; sister, Betty Shipp of Burkburnett, Texas; and brother, Raymond Davis of Thornberry, Texas.

Wayne was preceded in death by his parents.

In lieu of customary remembrances, memorial contributions may be directed to the National Parkinson's Foundation, www.parkinson.org.

Funeral service was held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, January 8th at Coker-Hawkins Funeral Home Chapel with Virgil Faires officiating.

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