



J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart

January 24, 1936 - January 22, 2024

J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart, longtime and well-known resident of Terrell, passed away peacefully on Jan. 22, 2024 with family at his side. All his life, Sandy took great comfort in all of Scripture and now his family takes the greatest comfort knowing that "to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord" as it says in 2 Cor. 5:8 and Sandy is experiencing the greatest joy in finally seeing his Savior, whom he loved so much, face to face.

Sandy was born Jan. 24, 1936 in Parks, Texas to Raymond and Geniece (Dobbins) Cowart, both of whom greeted him in Heaven along with his beloved wife, JoAnn Cowart, his son, Ronald H. Cowart, sister, Robbie J. McGaughey, brother, Keith Cowart and sister, Jerrie Boutwell.

Sandy grew up in Wesson, Mississippi where both of his parents taught at Co-Lin Community College. As a young man, he and his siblings had a "passport" to the entire campus and were seen frequently at many the college activities where they enjoyed being a part of campus life, even getting the chance (although they were younger than the band members) to play alongside the Co-Liin Community College Wolfpack Band. The Cowarts had a beloved dog, Snisch, that also accompanied Sandy everywhere on the grounds and Snisch became an "unofficial mascot" at games with Sandy's mom sewing him a little matching uniform! Later, Sandy attended the University of Mississippi "Ole Miss" Pharmacy School where he began his education that would cement Sandy's contribution to helping others for the rest of his life. As a student at Ole Miss, Sandy would also develop a devotion to his alma mater that would

always be a conversation point, a destination (for family visits and GAMES!) as well as something he would share with his own children when he would take them back to visit all the places and share all the memories of how he grew up to be the man he would become.

In June of 1958, he married his best friend, JoAnn Hennington, and in 1968 they moved to Terrell where Sandy continued his calling of serving others by being a pharmacist at his own pharmacy, Terrell Pharmacy. For almost 5 decades, Sandy would be the Terrell community's 'go to' pharmacist and he helped with every question, every concern and every need. Although a part of him was always in Mississippi, Sandy had a heart as big as Texas and there are countless stories, many of which are known to others and even more known only to God about how Sandy assisted with medications for families in need as well as basic needs for innumerable community members. He was a longtime member of First Baptist Church in Terrell where he served faithfully as a Deacon and Sunday School teacher for 60 years. In addition to his church membership, Sandy was a dedicated member of the Gideons International chapter in Kaufman County and while he recognized that people needed medicines for physical healing, he was the first to let anyone and everyone know about the Great Healer and how his saving grace was available to all who simply asked for it. Sandy also had a strong devotion to Terrell and he was an active member of the Rotary Club for many years making many community events memorable for attendees. He was also voted to the TISD School board for 29 years, serving from 1985 to 2004 and was a longtime member of the Terrell Chamber of Commerce, serving as the President. A true man of God who always placed others before himself, Sandy will be greatly missed and never forgotten by his family, his friends and the entire town of Terrell.

Those left to cherish the many memories of Sandy are his daughters: Tami Jo Brooks and husband, Carlton, of Canton, Tracey Ann Crowsey and husband, Bill, of Terrell, Tara Lyn Duty and husband, Stokes, of Canton; grandchildren:

Chase Harrison Cowart, Elizabeth (Liz) Brooks Thetford and husband, Taylor, Evan Joseph Brooks, wife Jordan, Nathaniel Jacob Crowsey and wife, Crystal, Jordan David Crowsey and wife, Dominique, Dylan Ryan Crowsey, Jackson Stokes Duty, Logan Ryan Duty and Dawson Michael Duty; great grandchildren: Harrison Shane Thetford, Quinn Joseph Thetford, Tyson Jacob Crowsey, Heidi Rose Crowsey, Brady Neal Crowsey, Elijah Jordan Crowsey, Isabelle Grace Crowsey and Chance Cowart as well as many other extended family members, church family and a host of friends.

Funeral service will be at 11:00am, Saturday, Jan. 27, 2024 at First Baptist Church of Terrell with interment to follow at College Mound Cemetery where he will be laid to rest next to his precious JoAnn. His family will receive friend beginning at 6:00pm to 8:00pm, Friday, Jan. 26, at Max Slayton Funeral Chapel (formerly the Terrell Pharmacy where Sandy spent so many years helping others)

Memorials in honor of Sandy's tireless commitment to sharing the Word of the Lord can be made to: First Baptist Terrell at www.fbcterrell.org/give or to Gideon's International at <https://www.gideons.org/donate>

Cemetery Details

College Mound Cemetery

15010 FM 429 South
Terrell, TX 75161

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 26. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Max Slayton Funeral Chapel
642 N. Rockwall Ave.
Terrell, TX 75160

Funeral Service

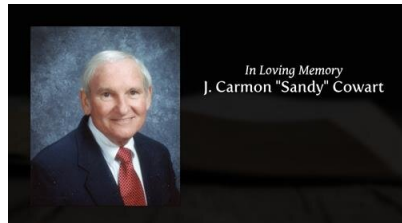
JAN 27. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Terrell
403 N. Catherine
Terrell, TX 75160
<http://www.fbcterrell.org>

Tribute Wall



“ *Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart*



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - January 27, 2024 at 05:37 PM



“ *Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations created a Webcast in memory of J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart*



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - January 26, 2024 at 01:56 PM



“ 155 files added to the album Memories Album



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - April 01, 2024 at 01:42 PM

CK

“ *Cindy Knight lit a candle in memory of J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart*



Cindy Knight - January 31, 2024 at 06:13 PM

“ I always loved what I did but for the first time in 30 years I was feeling the company was expecting me to be a salesperson and I was not entirely comfortable with that expectation. I had a service and when we came back from the graveside I was dropping Dr. Bob off at the funeral home and he looked at the sign and pointed and said "Max you DO realize people aren't coming here because of that sign" and I questioned what he meant and he said people are coming here because of YOU. At that moment I felt The Lord was telling me it was time to go...to start a new chapter where my calling matched His will and families would be served the way they always had been-with compassion, honesty and integrity (the very same principles that Terrell Pharmacy was built on) I looked for over a year to find a place to build or to buy but everything was out of reach due to a myriad of reasons and I felt like doors were closing at every turn.

I had a former boss who was into all aspects of the funeral corporation I used to work for and when I shared my frustration he said "max look for a place in a strip shopping center" I had never thought of that and to be honest, I didn't have a completely on board feeling about that but, I simply gave it to the Lord, as I had been doing during this whole season of change and I continued to pray that, again, my continued service to families would be in His will alone.

So I began to look at shopping centers- 2 of which refused to lease to what would become a funeral home. A couple months later I came into the pharmacy to pick up a prescription and noticed a sign on the window that said "we have moved to cvs and your prescriptions will be moved there"

I walked straight back to the back and asked Sandy if he would consider leasing me the pharmacy for a funeral home? And he said "I can't think of anything I would rather do."

There are many things that the Lord has shown me (and all of us!) and one of the strongest things that I learned from this season is to trust Him. Scripture truly does reflect how He works all to His good and the good of those who love Him as it is written in Romans 8:28.

Sandy's pharmacy closing probably seemed like a door closing...to him, his employees, his family. As well, my place of work changing and the avenues I kept going down that weren't working seemed like doors closing....

But God placed many so people in my path and in my circle, each of whom had an important part in His great plan for my continuing to serve families in His name.

One of those people was definitely Sandy Cowart when he let me know that he couldn't think of a better thing to do with his pharmacy and his legacy of serving the Lord with a ministry that also will always follow Him.

It's my daily prayer that I always bring glory to God with our funeral home and how we serve each family. Now I will add to that daily prayer that I ALSO always honor the legacy of Sandy Cowart.

-Max Slayton

Max - January 28, 2024 at 02:34 PM



“ *Lisa Melone lit a candle in memory of J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart*



Lisa Melone - January 27, 2024 at 11:40 AM



“ Oh, how I hate that I cannot be there to celebrate the life of this amazing man with his precious family. Sandy was one of the kindest and most thoughtful & caring individuals the world has ever seen. He was able to mesh those gifts with his wit and sense of humor to make everyone feel not only welcome, but at home and it was a joy to work for him at the pharmacy for so many years. What a legacy this man leaves for his family and friends. The world has lost a brilliant light, but now Heaven is even brighter. You will be remembered well, Sandy, and thank you for everything. P.S. - Thanks, also, for gifting me the Cowart family dog so many moons ago. I know y'all are celebrating in Heaven together!

Lisa Melone - January 27, 2024 at 11:23 AM

JC

“ He was our young adults teacher at Emmanuel church. Always thought very much of him!! Louis Jackie Cernoch

Jackie Cernoch - January 27, 2024 at 09:06 AM

TH

“ Sandy was such a good man . First I knew him from the pharmacy . Then working as a waitress at Char Bar, Rip Griffins and IHOP I would see him on Saturday mornings for the Gideon meeting . He always had a smile on his face. Always ask me about my family . Also always ask me if I needed them to pray for anyone . I'll never forget one day I told him for them to pray for my dryer it was going out more less joking around . Sandy spoke up and told me to go to B H Dave's on Monday and pick me out a dryer, and he would call Tony and let him know I was going there and he paid for me a dryer. He was a blessing to all who knew him . I'm sad that I didn't know he was sick. I send prayers to all his family. I know he will be greatly missed .

Traci Henson - January 27, 2024 at 12:07 AM

JC

“ My best memories with my granddaddy are going for rides in his MG. Im thankful that my son Eli got to enjoy the same great memories with his great grandad. He was always a man of the lord and taught me to lead my family in the same way.



jordan crowsey - January 26, 2024 at 11:06 PM

EK

“ Sandy always said hello as soon as you walked in the door and always had a smile for you. Loved the and praying for his family Elaine and Frank Kasper



Elaine Kasper - January 26, 2024 at 10:55 PM

DB

“ Tammy, Tracey, Tara and families. I'm so sorry for your loss. I have known Sandy well over 40 years. He was a man of God who walked the walk. He led by example. One memory that stands out for me and shows EXACTLY the kind of man Sandy was follows. It was Thanksgiving. My cousin's son who was about 4 fell and broke his arm. The ER sent him home with a written prescription and no painkillers. Again, it was a holiday weekend. I called Sandy and explained our situation. Without hesitation he left his family and home and met us at the pharmacy to fill the prescription. Sandy had a servant heart and will be missed by many! I'm honored to have known him. Prayers for each of you.
Deana Elliott Boyd

Deana Elliott Boyd - January 26, 2024 at 05:35 PM

KS

“ Dear Tami, Tracey, Tara & families,

We were so sad to hear about your Dad, Grandpa, Father in Law, family member & friend! Having known him & JoAnn for 50+ years & to have called both of them our friends! As long as I can remember I don't think I ever saw him or your Mom without a smile on their face & a kind word for everyone! Heaven has gained another Angel! He will definitely be missed! Keeping all of you in our thoughts and prayers!

*With deepest sympathy,
Wilson & Karo Stewart*



Karo Stewart - January 26, 2024 at 05:15 PM

JR

“ I have a special memory of Mr. Cowart. The year was 1994, and I was hugely pregnant with my first child. I had just spent a long day of teaching kindergarten at Kennedy Elementary, and I was at that weird intersection at Brin near the Methodist Church and the church of Christ. I was also going through a difficult time in my life. As I started through the intersection, I somehow bumped right into the Terrell Pharmacy delivery truck which was being driven by a young male employee at the time. I was just so upset with myself and kept crying while I told the young man to please give Mr. Cowart my insurance information and tell him how sorry I was. The young man kept worrying if I was ok, and I told him I was perfectly fine but that I was just upset. I kept asking him to tell Mr. Cowart that I was sorry and that my insurance would pay. He said he would. Some time went by, and I never heard anything about it. The next time I went in Terrell Pharmacy, Mr. Cowart handed my medicine to me and said, “by the way, you don’t worry about that dent in that truck. It’s an old truck and that dent won’t hurt it one bit.” I apologized again and he assured me that the only worry he had about it was that I was ok. From then on, every time I saw that delivery truck around town with my dent in it, I thought of how kind he was. It was a display of kindness when I needed it the most. What a wonderful example he was to us all. Love, Jennifer Raynes Rogers

Jennifer Rogers - January 26, 2024 at 02:04 PM

CF

“ Chris Jones and Family purchased the Beautiful i
n Blue for the family of J. Carmon "Sandy"
Cowart.



Chris Jones and Family - January 25, 2024 at 11:40 PM

SC

“ Sandy was always nice to me. I used to go over to the pharmacy to eat my lunch or take my break when I worked at Matt's long ago. He always had a smile for all his customers. I remember him singing in the choir at First Baptist Church. Sandy had on a red sweater for that performance! That's how I'll remember him.



Sharon Rush Collins - January 25, 2024 at 05:39 PM

AS

“ Accurate Home Services purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart.



Accurate Home Services - January 25, 2024 at 02:54 PM

AD

“ Such a special man always so helpful and cheerful. No matter when I saw him over the years he always asked about my boys. Prayers for all his family. R.I.P. Sandy

Anne Davidson - January 25, 2024 at 01:54 PM

SP

“ Susan & Ray Pinson lit a candle in memory of J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart



Susan & Ray Pinson - January 25, 2024 at 01:08 PM

MR

“ *Maria Lisa Rector purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart.*



Maria Lisa Rector - January 25, 2024 at 01:00 PM

JL

“ *"Sandy" left an amazing LEGACY in his family, friends, and all who knew him. A legacy of LOVE and FAITH, and SERVICE to his LORD, JESUS CHRIST. His love for his family and friends and all of God's creatures, (think pup, CoCo), had no bounds. In 50 years of knowing Sandy both as a friend and business partner I can truly say I never once heard him usher an unkind word about anyone. He was always hoping the ones he knew and loved when they got off track would "start doing right!" And boy was he happy when some of the family had success, no matter the magnitude. It was always a joy to call Sandy on the phone, especially when the phones starting showing the caller ID on the screen. In the most upbeat tempo and positive attitude his exuberant voice would say, "Hello Mr. Loar, how is your family doing today? He truly cared about others. I will miss him dearly but have been so blessed and so grateful for our FRIENDSHIP. I grew to love this man like a brother. And by the way family, I do have some awesome stories for later when the time and place are right. What a man! What a life! "The Best"*

*Your FRIEND,
Jay*

Jay Loar - January 24, 2024 at 09:45 PM

JB

“ I’m so sad to lose Sandy but so happy for him because I know exactly where he is. If anyone earned jewels in their crown it was him. I was blessed to grow up in Terrell Pharmacy where my Mama worked for 30 years. Him and his family will forever be my family. He always told the story of me standing between his feet stacking and unstacking prescription bottles. My Mama would get onto me and tell me to get out of his way but he would say “No Ima Jo. Nothing makes me happier than all these Terrell Pharmacy babies learning shapes and colors with those bottles.” Unfortunately I have the flu right now and I’m heart broken that I won’t get to go to his services. I love all you Cowarts and will be praying for you all.

Jan Britt-Bearden - January 24, 2024 at 09:41 PM

DM

“ Sandy what a blessing to this community. He was a friend to everyone who knew him. He always made me smile and feel like he really cared. I saw him not too long ago and he look good. I know he’s happy and looking down at all of us, smiling my prayers to each of you.

Diane Morton - January 24, 2024 at 09:17 PM

BD

Oh what a blessing of a man!!!!.I've loved the "COWART " family since they've come to Terrell many years ago ...
I'm sadden for the girls and family but I know he is Rejoicing in heaven.
It's not goodbye but see you later my friend . I'm so happy he and Joann are back together..❤️❤️

Beverly Dudley - January 24, 2024 at 09:46 PM

RB

“ I remember Sandy growing up in Terrell.He was a good man.Keeping his family in prayers 🙏🙏.



Richard Brazell - January 24, 2024 at 09:14 PM

JY

“ Sending my prayers and thoughts. He is a really sweet man. RIH... 🙏



Julie Young - January 24, 2024 at 08:22 PM

CT

“ Sandy was a good man who truly loved the Lord.



Cindy Towsley - January 24, 2024 at 07:52 PM

SM

“ Mr and Mrs Cowart both were so very kind to everyone. You never entered Terrell Pharmacy that they didn't speak and were so caring. My thought and prayers to all of the family.



Susan Rice McBride - January 24, 2024 at 07:28 PM

KS

“ *Kay Squires lit a candle in memory of J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart*



Kay Squires - January 24, 2024 at 07:13 PM

MF

“ *Always Mr. Cowart to me. Such a wonderful man period. He made Terrell a better place & will be missed by so many. I know he was so glad to see JoAnn in heaven. I just talked to him at Windsor a few weeks ago. He was always so helpful with a smile on his face. Prayers to his lovely family. Love & hugs. Marsha Hottinger-Flowers.*

Marsha Flowers - January 24, 2024 at 05:20 PM

RS

“ *Sandy was one of the best men I ever met. He had a very strong Christian faith and always had a smile on his face. He definitely has a front row in Heaven. I am going to miss this very special friend! RIP Sandy*



Ronnie Smith - January 24, 2024 at 05:05 PM

DT

“ *Donna Tapp lit a candle in memory of J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart*



Donna Tapp - January 24, 2024 at 03:52 PM

JB

“ *Sandy was a loving caring man.*



Janis Blair - January 24, 2024 at 03:34 PM

MT

“ *Sandy was a sweet wonderful man that loved Jesus and his family. He was loved and will be missed. The deepest sympathy to all his children and just know he made the world a better place. Sandy lived the Christian faith. He is rejoicing now in arms of the Lord.*

Marsha Trawick - January 24, 2024 at 03:22 PM

JB

“ *Judy Beesley lit a candle in memory of J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart*



Judy Beesley - January 24, 2024 at 02:45 PM

JP

“ *Joe Parnell lit a candle in memory of J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart*



Joe Parnell - January 24, 2024 at 02:02 PM

CH

“ Always such a nice and helpful man. I doubt he ever met a stranger. My thoughts go out to his family.



Cindy & Rick Hunter - January 24, 2024 at 02:01 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart.



January 24, 2024 at 01:42 PM

JC

“ I am so sorry to hear about Sandy's passing. In my early elementary school days, Sandy let me hide in his pharmacy when I was being chased home by older bullies. His son, Ron, and I were the same age and, when I was a teenager, Sandy and the entire family helped me on many occasions. I stayed many nights in their house. I appreciate everything Sandy and his family did for me. I will always treasure the compassion Sandy showed to me. He is a good man and I know he is now walking on streets of gold.

Jerry Click - January 24, 2024 at 12:31 PM

EV

“ *Erica Valenzuela lit a candle in memory of J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart*



Erica Valenzuela - January 24, 2024 at 12:10 PM

PB

“ *Patty Hendrickson Barringer lit a candle in memory of J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart*



Patty Hendrickson Barringer - January 24, 2024 at 10:40 AM

DP

“ *Deborah Phillips lit a candle in memory of J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart*



Deborah Phillips - January 24, 2024 at 10:38 AM

JL

“ *Joni Lavin lit a candle in memory of J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart*



Joni Lavin - January 24, 2024 at 04:58 AM

BK

“ *Sandy always remembered his clients and had a hello and a smile for us. And he helped us if we were short of money for our prescriptions by letting us pay it out. Going to miss him and know we were blessed to have known him and his family.* ”

Bobby/Coleen Kilmer - January 23, 2024 at 10:09 PM

BK

“ *Bobby & Coleen Kilmer lit a candle in memory of J. Carmon "Sandy" Cowart* ”



Bobby & Coleen Kilmer - January 23, 2024 at 10:04 PM