



## Larry Strohm

June 29, 1935 - September 26, 2024

### A Life Well-Lived: A Tribute to Larry

Larry, a man whose spirit was as boundless as his love for life, passed away on September 26, 2024. His journey, marked by adventure, family, and unwavering dedication, left an indelible mark on those who knew him.

Born into a world of motorcycles, Larry's passion for speed and mechanics was ignited early on. Alongside his father, he spent countless hours tinkering with engines, forging a bond that would shape his life. Together, they raced motorcycles, Larry behind the handlebars and his dad serving as his dedicated mechanic. Their shared pursuit of adrenaline was a testament to their unyielding spirit.

In 1955, Larry met the love of his life, Mary Lou. Their marriage, celebrated on June 10th, 1956, was a union of hearts and souls. Together, they raised five daughters, filling their lives with laughter, love, and unforgettable memories. Camping trips, boating adventures, and skiing excursions were hallmarks of their family life. Larry taught his daughters to ski, instilling in them a lifelong appreciation for the lake. Even in the dead of winter, he would build custom sleds for his girls, ensuring that their joy knew no season.

Larry's unwavering love for his family was evident in everything he did. Moving to Texas in 1971, though difficult, brought him closer to his brother Tom. When asked about the most important thing in life, Larry without hesitation answered, "family."

A skilled metal fabricator by trade, Larry possessed a unique artistic flair. He transformed ordinary objects into extraordinary works of art, finding beauty in the mundane. His passion for creation led him to become a regular at the scrap yard, his personal treasure trove.

Larry's generosity extended beyond his family. He delighted in helping friends with their projects, whether it was fixing a broken appliance, welding anything that needed (or sometimes didn't need) fixing, or building a new structure.

With the support of his family and friends, Larry and Mary Lou built their dream home on the lake. The neighborhood became his second family, and he found great joy in watching the children play on the playground he had built in his front yard. For over twenty years, he hosted a monthly poker game that brought together a special group of people that were very dear to him.

Larry was the most wonderful father anyone could ask for. His love, guidance, and support will be deeply missed. If Larry were here, he would say, "I knew I wasn't man enough to have both money and family, so I chose family."

Larry leaves his legacy to be cherished by his wife, Mary Louise Strohm; children: Kathy Chapman (Tommy), Karen Wade (Charles), Shelly Wooten (Tommy), Sandy Hamm (Stan), Nancy Grigsby (Keith); 17 grandchildren; 31 great grandchildren; 1 great-great grandson; sisters: Joyce Haugan, Peg Bognanno (Mario); brother, Tom Strohm (Sandy), as well as many other beloved extended family and friends, each of whom will dearly miss Larry.

A Memorial Service will be held at 4:30pm on Saturday, October 5, 2024 at Max Slayton Funeral Chapel in Terrell, Texas. Larry's family will receive friends beginning at 4:00pm until service time. Honorary pallbearers include his grandsons: Brad Beesley, Blake Ross, Taylor Hamm, Austin Day, Dustin Wooten, Blaine Wooten, and Riley Day.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the Tawakoni South Volunteer Fire Department, 10407 FM 429 Quinlan, TX 75474, or at a paypal

link [tawakonisouthvfd@yahoo.com](mailto:tawakonisouthvfd@yahoo.com) or to a charity of your choice.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 5. 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM (CT)

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

## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall



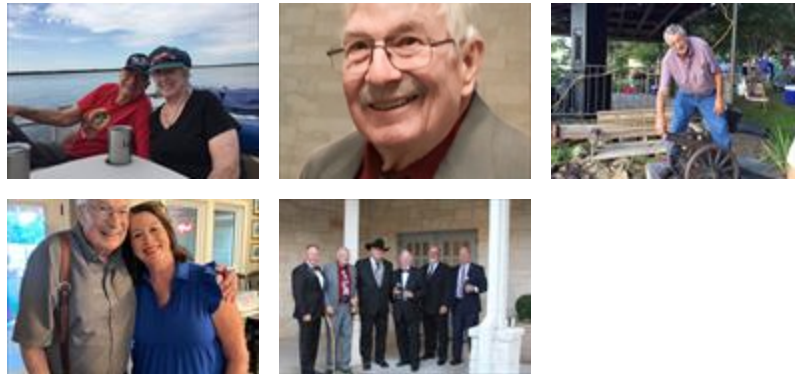
“ *Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of Larry Strohm*



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - October 29, 2024 at 03:03 PM



“ *364 files added to the album Memories Album*



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - April 21, 2025 at 12:48 PM

DF

“ *Day Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Larry Strohm.*



Day Family - October 05, 2024 at 01:48 AM

MF

“ Larry Larry Larry what a wonderful treasure. You meant the world to so many. You remember the day you saved my life at the lake. I mentioned it many times to you. What a legacy you leave. Sending prayers & hugs to the whole family. So glad to have crossed your path many times. I will be out of town Saturday but I will never forget you. Keep firing a cannon in heaven. RIP Larry my friend.



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**Marsha Flowers** - October 03, 2024 at 02:50 PM

YF

“ Your Vestis family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Larry Strohm.



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**Your Vestis family** - October 02, 2024 at 05:21 PM

KS

“ Dear Mary Lou, Kathy, Karen, Shelly, Sandy, Nancy & families,  
Sending thoughts and prayers for all of you, Larry's family today & in the difficult days to come!  
With Deepest Sympathy,  
Karo & Wilson Stewart



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**karo Stewart** - October 02, 2024 at 02:10 PM

FF

“ From your family at Farmers purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Larry Strohm.



From your family at Farmers - October 02, 2024 at 11:08 AM

TW

“ Ty & Tracy Martin / Bobby & Vicki Wilson purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Larry Strohm.



Ty & Tracy Martin / Bobby & Vicki Wilson - October 01, 2024 at 03:35 PM

MB

“ Molly and Craig, Brooke and Britney purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Larry Strohm.



Molly and Craig, Brooke and Britney - October 01, 2024 at 09:52 AM

BM

“ Beth Maley lit a candle in memory of Larry Strohm



Beth Maley - September 30, 2024 at 07:37 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Larry Strohm.*



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September 30, 2024 at 02:16 PM



“ *To my wonderful Uncle Larry,*

*Your kindness, wisdom, and love have left a mark on all of us. May you find eternal peace and joy.*

*With love Mike Bognanno*

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**Mike Bognanno** - September 30, 2024 at 01:50 PM



“ *Fivecoat Construction, LLC purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Larry Strohm.*



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**Fivecoat Construction, LLC** - September 30, 2024 at 12:51 PM



“ *Brian and Karen Burk planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Larry Strohm.*

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**Brian and Karen Burk** - September 30, 2024 at 10:15 AM

BB

“ *Brian and Karen Burk purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Larry Strohm.*



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**Brian and Karen Burk** - September 30, 2024 at 10:15 AM

LA

“ *Larry, Enjoyed Your Laughter and All The Help You and Mary Lou Gave Us As Your Neighbors. I Always Laugh At You From the Awesome Memories.. Praying for Mary Lou, and Your Girls , Your Grands and the Rest Of The Family May You All Be Comforted.*

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**Lark Allison** - September 29, 2024 at 07:46 PM

MF

“ *Matt Faulkner purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Larry Strohm.*



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**Matt Faulkner** - September 29, 2024 at 06:25 PM

DL

“ A wonderful guy and family friend, especially to my dear parents that have been gone now for sometime myself. I'll never forget when my dad passed and he and Mary Lou came over, he sat with me and my brother in the living room while Mary Lou sat and talked and consoled our mother in the kitchen.... I don't think more than a few words were spoken, but just the fact that he was there showed that he really cared meant the world to me, thank you Larry for that. My other great memory was his great sense of humor, particularly his his rendition of Crazy Guggenheim, he loved doing that and he did it so well, it was always hilarious! The great guys will always be missed, and that was Larry....

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**Duff Lowe** - September 28, 2024 at 03:13 PM

GG

“ Glen and Kathy Gee purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Larry Strohm.



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**Glen and Kathy Gee** - September 28, 2024 at 11:12 AM

BB

“ Larry was such a good man. He always smiled and laughed whenever I would see and talk to him. He will be truly missed. Prayers for the family

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**Billy Beggs** - September 28, 2024 at 09:27 AM

HJ

“ It has been an honor and a privilege to have known Larry for the last 50 years. He always made me feel as if I was part of the family. “Daughter number 6”. 😊. He was such a kind hearted and fun loving person, and he instilled that in his girls. He has always been an inspiration to me. And I will always remember him as “the life of the party”. He was loved by so many, and will be missed dearly.

Hope Jandrew - September 28, 2024 at 09:18 AM

VM

“ I have never had a better friend. I have never known a better craftsman. I will never miss anyone more. My love to Mary Lou, the girls, and the rest of the huge clan. Van

Van Meridith - September 27, 2024 at 07:10 PM

MF

“ Larry lived life to the fullest. It was always great to see him. He had the biggest laugh. I enjoyed him setting off his cannon. Many fun times. RIP Larry.



Marsha Flowers - September 27, 2024 at 04:36 PM

JB

“ RIP Mr. Strohm. Prayers for the family.



Judy Beesley - September 27, 2024 at 03:23 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Larry Strohm.*



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September 27, 2024 at 02:56 PM



“ *Larry was a fine man. He always had a smile (or a grin) on his face. He once told me the difference between a Yankee and a damned Yankee. To all his girls, my deepest sympathy.*

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**Annette Valentine** - September 27, 2024 at 02:42 PM