



Robert Cleve Beal

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Robert Cleve Beal was born in Flushing, NY on April 13, 1963 to Robert H. and Shirley C. Beal. He left this earth for his Eternal Home with his Savior on Monday, March 16, 2020 in Rowlett, TX where he resided with his loving wife, Cheryl Hawkins Beal. Their love story lasted a mere 15 years, which was not nearly long enough.

In addition to his wife, Robert is survived by his two beautiful daughters, of whom he was infinitely proud, Ashley and Katie (Stratton), his beloved stepdaughter, Jensen Armstrong, his sweet mother-in-law, Doris Hawkins, brother-in-law, Mike (Vicki), nieces Nicole and Katelyn, several aunts, uncles, and cousins, and a host of wonderful friends. He is predeceased by his parents and his father-in-law, Harold Hawkins.

Robert grew up in Hacienda Heights, CA, where he graduated from high school in 1981. He earned his undergraduate degree from Pepperdine University, and then later returned for law school where he graduated second in his class. After a successful career at some large firms in the DFW area, Robert was a practicing trial attorney and manager at the U.S. Department of Labor at the time of his passing.

A Christ follower with a true servant's heart, Robert loved being involved in ministries and in his life group at Lakepointe Church in Rockwall, Texas. He also enjoyed working with a local Gideons group. He and Cheryl had a heart for the wonderful people of Jos, Nigeria, and had plans to return there this fall. Additionally, Robert enjoyed international travel, water sports, outdoor activities, and being a home brewer and winemaker. He adored his "puppy kids," Todd and Miko.

A private family burial will be held on Friday, March 20, 2020 in Dallas, TX. A memorial service will take place at a later date. In accordance with Robert's wishes, donations may be made to The Hope and Freedom Center of Jos, Nigeria. Please go to wetonigeria.org, click the Donate tab, and give using a credit or debit card or through PayPal. Please use the Write a Note section and designate your donation to Freedom Center in memory of Robert Beal.



Obituary

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Celebration of Life Service Friday, June 19, 2020 2:00 p.m. at Lake Pointe Church- White Rock Campus 9150 Garland Road, Dallas, Texas 75218





Events

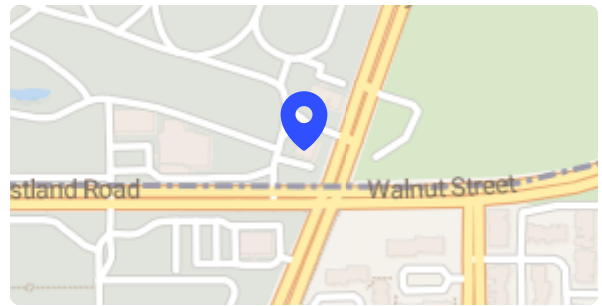
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Graveside Service


 **Friday**, March 20, 2020


 1:00 PM CT


 **Restland Cemetery**
13005 Greenville Avenue, Dallas TX 75243

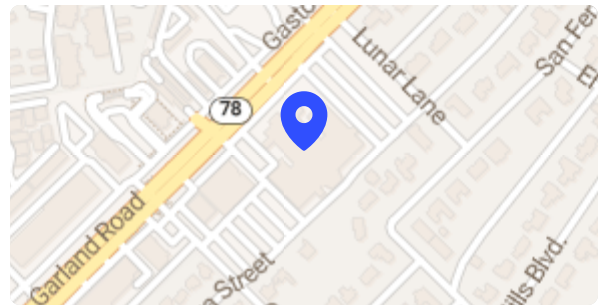


Celebration of Life

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 2:00 PM CT

 **Lake Point Church, White Rock Campus**
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Tribute Wall

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KG

Kenneth D Garrison posted:

Cleve was a great friend to me between 1968-1978 when we lived on Gay Park Lane in Hacienda Heights, CA. He visited us after we moved to Gresham, OR in the summer of 1978. IN CA we used to play, "over-the-line" on the cul-de-sac with Kevin Farrell and my older brother, Guy. We'd use our baseball cards and a monopoly board with two dice to place a baseball board game we had invented; going around the neighborhood and challenging other kids with our favorite team and playing those cards until our winning streak ended. Then choose another team. Cleve was 5 when I first met him and he was wearing a little cowboy outfit with holsters and guns he had received from Bob and Shirley as a Christmas gift - super cute. :-) We miss Cleve and missed him much after we moved to Oregon. Lots of swimming, hide and go seek, baseball, HORSE, kid stuff! Great memories. I was so sad to hear he had passed and so young. May God bless his family. Ken Garrison 503-209-1820 (1961kgarrison@gmail.com).

March 10 at 12:58 PM

KG

Kenneth D Garrison March 15 at 9:33 AM

Dear Ann- Thanks so much for sharing! I think about Cleve (he was always "Cleve" to us) often and the fun we shared together as children and teenagers. I did finally see Shirley and Bob's memorials but had not realized Shirley had passed away in 2003 or Bob had passed away in 2019 (shortly before Cleve). My prayers for his daughters and all he left behind! Cleve was truly a great friend and kind soul. Indeed- those were the days! My wife, Erma, and I remember meeting you and Cleve in Irving, TX in 1987 at the gospel meeting Allan Bailey (now our youngest daughter, Jillian Bailey's, Daddy-In- Law since 2016). It was really nice to meet you then and we regret we did not keep in touch. Blessings and thanks for your courtesies in communications, Ann! Ken Garrison

AB

Ann Beal March 15 at 1:47 AM

Ken, Cleve, Robert, always talked about you and Kevin. He actually shared a lot about The Garrisons and The Farrells. You were a very important part of his life and he and his parents would laugh and share stories of living in Hacienda Heights. He loved you. Robert lived a good life. He loved the Lord and loved his family, all of them. He has two girls, Ashley Eden Beal and Katherine Arianna Beal. They love him dearly and look a lot like him. They know all about you from their dad and have lots of pictures of you, Kevin, swimming in the pool and goofing around. "Those were the days" as Cleve would say.



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Chris Lingwall shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I am so sorry for your loss. Robert and I were friends from kindergarten until we graduated from high school in 1981. I just learned last week of his passing at our 40th high school reunion.



October 20 at 12:28 PM



Cheryl Beal March 16 at 4:30 PM

Thank you so much for posting this picture, Chris. I wish I had known how to reach every one of his friends. I'm sorry that I never got to meet you. Robert was an incredible husband and servant.



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Beal family.



June 18 at 1:05 AM



Cheryl Beal shared a video to the **Memories Album** album.



June 17 at 6:20 PM



Anonymous sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Beal family.



June 16 at 7:16 AM



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Steve Rutherford posted:

Almost 40 years ago, Robert and I met at the new student orientation at Pepperdine University. Over the years, we would get together for an evening of drinks and discussion. Each time it picked up naturally like we had spoken the day before. That first year at Pepperdine, Robert and I shared a few classes and lived in the same housing unit, but he did not have much to say. Due to dental surgery, his jaw was wired shut, so it was difficult for him to talk. What struck me that year was that Robert was driven and studied quite diligently even though he didn't need to. He was naturally brilliant, and coursework was easy for him. He was goofy in his own way but very intelligent at the same time. One of the greatest shared experiences we had was a semester and summer abroad in Heidelberg, Germany. Lot's of beer and travel throughout Europe. That summer and those experiences forever bonded us as lifelong friends. In the ensuing years, we attended the ten-year reunion and shared a room in Santa Monica for the weekend, making sure to visit many of the places we frequented in college. Robert called me ten years later and convinced me to help him organize a twenty-year reunion. With him Texas and me in Denver, we began to hunt down over fifty people across the country and get them to Santa Monica the event. Every day or two he would call and excitedly tell me who he found and what they were up to. We found all but two. Robert and I found a place for the reunion and figured the bar was perfect. The only thing we forgot was to arrange for food. It was a mad scramble to seat 30 people for dinner. After graduating from Pepperdine, we both set out on different courses. Coincidentally that led both of us being in Texas, he in DFW at EDS and me in Tyler. I frequently came up to Dallas on the weekend to see him, since Tyler was not known for its nightlife. He later moved to San Francisco for a while, and I was in Sacramento, so again we would get together. More recently, my business brought me to Dallas every year or so. Robert and I would go out and have dinner and catch up. These dinners were a little better than the time we went to catch up at a petting zoo and had lunch with his young daughters. In the last few visits, I sensed Robert truly happy and at ease with his life, career, and in love with his lovely wife, Cheryl. It was hard to head out from his house to dinner with so many of his delicious beers to try. We had finally planned the trip back to Heidelberg this summer, and the tickets were purchased. Robert had agreed to give Sheri and me a master's course in beer that week. There were details to iron out, so I was not surprised to see his picture pop up on my phone announcing a text....not what I expected...shit he is gone. I treasure my friendship with Robert and will remember him fondly.

March 19 at 6:08 AM



Cheryl Beal May 29 at 6:53 PM

He thought the world of you, Steve. Thank you for sharing those wonderful memories.



Cheryl Beal shared 2 photos to the **Memories Album** album.



April 24 at 7:02 AM



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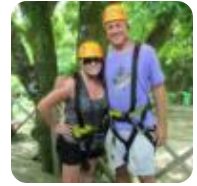
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Happy Birthday in Heaven, my love! I wish you were here to celebrate with me, our family, and our friends, but I know you're enjoying being with all who have gone before you. Love and miss you every second of the day.



April 13 at 6:08 AM



Peter Fretheim posted:

I miss Robert! He and I were born a week apart, just a few miles apart, but didn't meet until our freshman year at Pepperdine and have been best of friends ever since!!! We were roommates, leaders in our Fraternity, we visited orphanages in Mexico together, were baptized together in the Pacific at sunrise and so much more. Although we started at Pepperdine together, I got a 4 year degree in 5 years and by that time he had his undergraduate degree and was almost done with Law Degree!!! He was so smart and generously supported us for 20+ years in our orphan work in Africa. He also helped us build the Freedom Center here to help women that have been terribly abused. Cheryl was the love of his life and he adored his two daughters Ashley and Katie. He often spoke of you all and would never have chosen to leave you three wonderful ladies! He is now with Jesus and we have to trust that God knows what He is doing by taking Robert, even though that is really tough! His deepest desire would be that we all know Jesus as he did. Please go to CRU.org for great resources on how to personally know God, so we can all be sure that when our time comes, we will be with Him and Robert!

March 28 at 4:51 AM



Jeff Lewis posted:

I worked with Robert over the years as he litigated OSHA safety and health cases. I enjoyed his wit and dry sense of humor. I saw and interacted with him less over the last few years after he became the Civil Rights Counsel. But every time we passed each other in the SOL office he always had a smile on his face like the ones posted here. God Bless and keep that great smile in your heart and mind forever. Jeff Lewis

March 24 at 3:03 AM



Doretha Jeter posted:

Cheryl, My sincere condolences to you and your family. I am so saddened. I remember the day that we were in the Neighborhood Walmart and how happy I was that you all had moved to the area! My thoughts and prayers for strength are with you and the family. God bless you all! Doretha Jeter

March 23 at 12:03 PM



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Geila Henry lit a candle in honor of Robert .

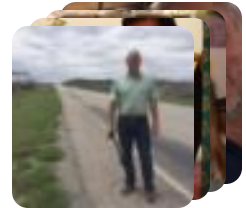


March 23 at 11:49 AM



Katherine Beal shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

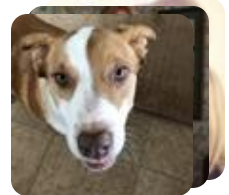
I love you Dad ❤️



March 19 at 6:08 AM



Cheryl Beal shared an album called **Memories Album**.



March 19 at 6:08 AM



Deanna Mitchell posted:

To Cheryl and the girls. . . I started with SOL coming on 6 years. I always found Robert's light-hearted and good natured personality to be inviting. We developed a relationship based on light-hearted joking that took place daily. Everyday when I saw Robert i would say "Mr. Beal. . . and he would said morning. . ." and we would have our usual banter. He was a sweet man with a kind heart and I will truly miss our daily banter. Stay strong, let the memories you have comfort your heart. With Condolences, DeAnna Mitchell Dallas-SOL

March 20 at 7:18 AM



Anonymous sent a Serene Retreat to the Beal family.



March 19 at 6:27 PM



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Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Beal family.

March 19 at 5:42 PM



Anonymous sent a Lavender Reflections Spray to the Beal family.

March 19 at 2:36 PM



Anthony Incristi lit a candle in honor of Robert .

March 19 at 2:35 PM



Anonymous sent a Crystal Cross Bouquet to the Beal family.

March 19 at 1:49 PM



Connie M. Ackermann sent a Heavenly Grace Spray to the Beal family.

March 19 at 1:15 PM



Steve And Sheri Rutherford sent a Magnificent Life Spray to the Beal family.

March 19 at 7:21 AM





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Gerritt "Toad" Beatty And The Sig Eps sent a Written in the Stars to the Beal family.

March 19 at 6:14 AM



Joan Courtney lit a candle in honor of Robert .

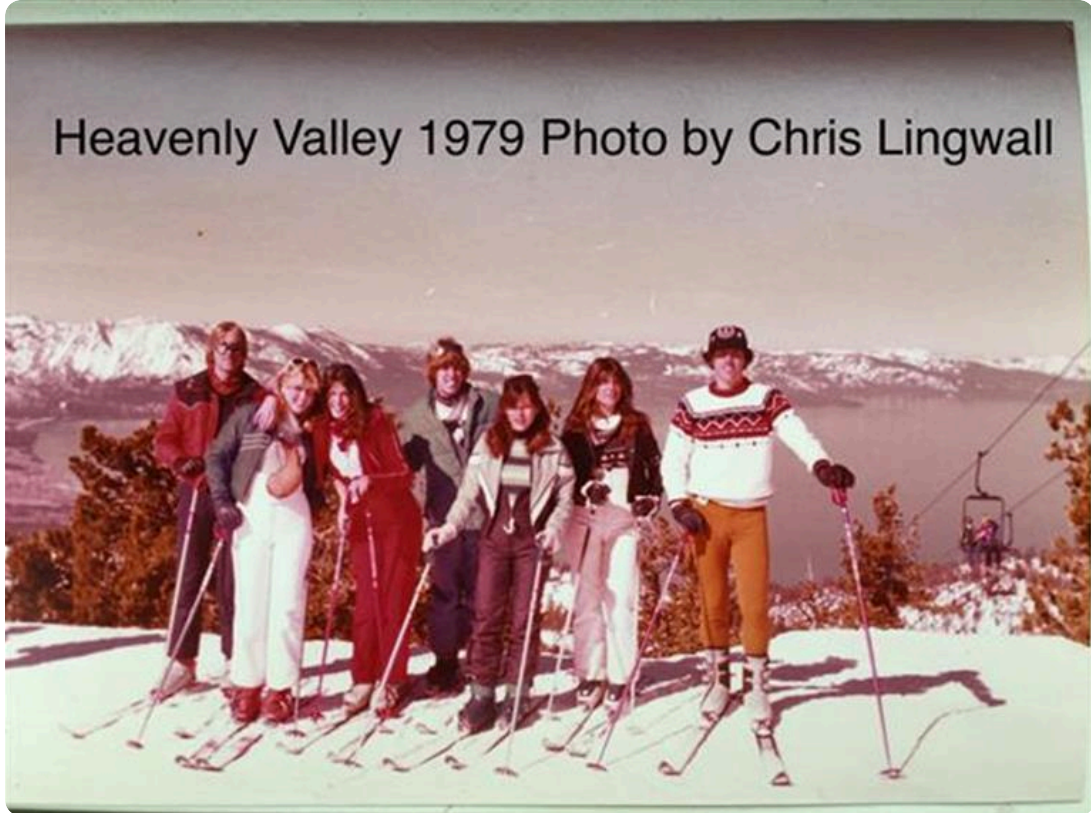
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Memorial Slideshow



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April 24 at 7:02 AM



Robert and I would have celebrated our 13 year anniversary on 4.21.20.



Our beautiful family.



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April 13 at 6:08 AM





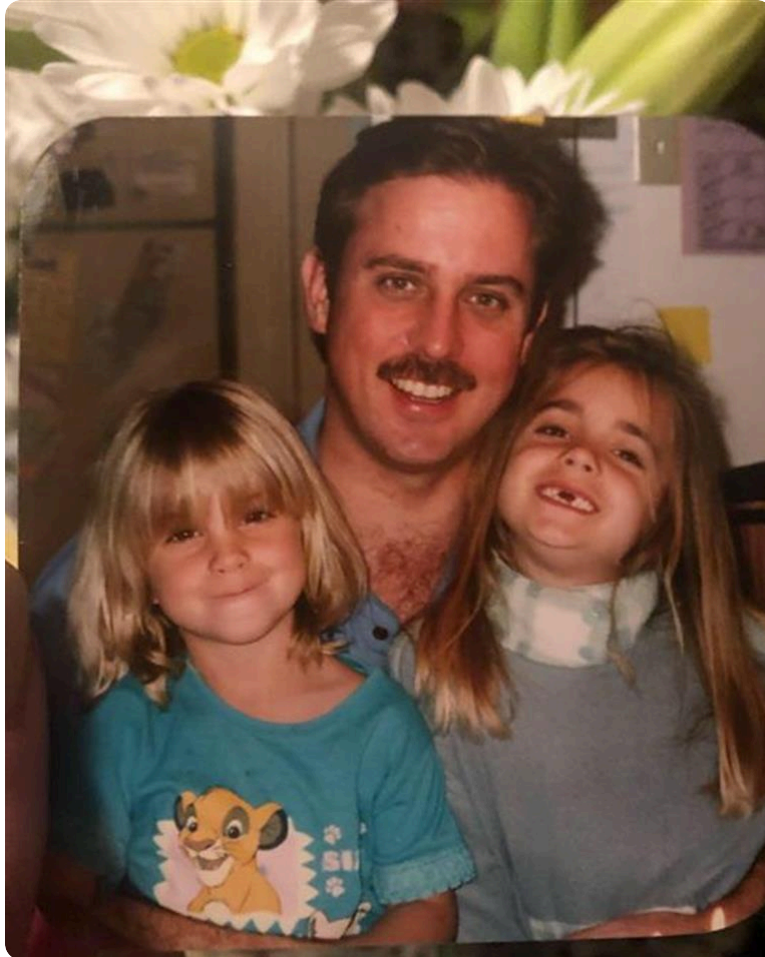
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Katherine Beal shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

March 22 at 3:03 PM



Cheryl Beal March 24 at 7:24 PM
Oh how I love this pic of you three!

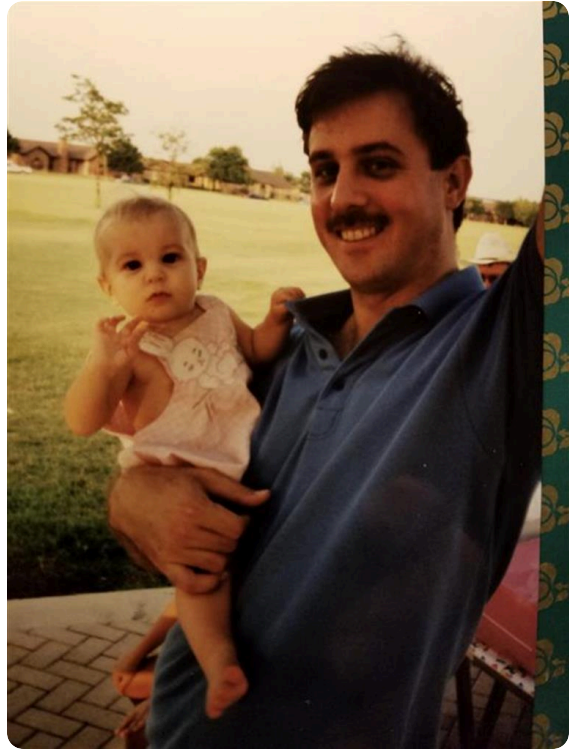




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KB





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Cheryl Beal shared 3 photos to the **Memories Album** album.

March 21 at 9:19 AM



Robert's baby boy. His best friend, Todd.



Media

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Most recent silly pic of my love and me.



Best Day Ever. 4.21.07



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Robert by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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