



Travis Rayford Rhodes Jr.

May 18, 1941 - April 19, 2020

Travis Rayford Rhodes, Jr was born in Dallas, Texas on May 18, 1941 and passed away on April 19, 2020 in Tyler, TX. He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, and his daughter, Tammy. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Diann, his son Steve and wife, Elise, and grandchildren, Tate, Hannah and Jed Rhodes.

Travis was an award winning film producer for KERA and the American Heart Association, winning the prestigious Peabody award among many others. His passion for travel with his wife was matched only with his love of watching his grandkids in their many activities, including play-off games and ballet recitals.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to the East Texas Food Bank.

Comments



“ Diann- My heart is heavy right now, so I know how you and Steve and the family must be feeling. I also know that you are a strong woman of God and that you will lean on your faith, one another, and the precious memories of your life with Travis for your comfort and strength during these days and days to come.

I will miss Travis! It seems like he has been a part of my family forever! I have vivid memories of the many games of football that were played in Mama James's front yard back when Steve was just a little tyke. Mama James would fuss and say they were tossing that baby around like he was the football. Travis would just laugh, and you could tell how much he loved that little boy he was tossing around and how proud he was of his tenacity. And Travis was such a talented and interesting man. He told some good stories about experiences he had in his career, and even better stories about your travels. I always knew that his love of traveling was second to his love for his traveling companion. More than once he said that you should only go to a certain place with someone you love. So sweet.

I will always be grateful for how Travis, along with you, rescued the East Texas home place. I love that place and I love him for loving it, too. Now he has claimed the promises of his Savior and has gone to his perfect, eternal Home. Diann, I know you rejoice for that. We love you. Peggy

Peggy Farris - April 22, 2020 at 08:41 AM



“ Travis was a loving and caring man who loved his family. We will always remember his toasts at get togethers and his ability to make everyone feel welcome. Travis enjoyed traveling with Diann and family. He also enjoyed photography trips with the guys and learning about Photo Shop. He was determined to learn the new stuff in photography He was already an expert in film and still photography. We enjoyed visiting with him and Diann, sitting on the porch with a great view and watching the birds and squirrels. Travis liked bragging on his family. We enjoyed hearing about his adventures and experiences. Travis, a real genuine good guy, will be truly missed. Love and prayers to all. Carolyn and Bob

Carolyn & Bob Dhermsn - April 21, 2020 at 06:43 PM