



Dobie Craig

February 14, 1938 - May 22, 2018

Dobie Craig went to be with his Lord on May 22, 2018. He was born on Feb. 14, 1938 to James L. Craig and Frances "Gertie" Craig in El Campo, TX. Dobie was born and lived his life in El Campo, Texas. He attended school at El Campo Independent School District playing football, basketball, and running track. After his completion of high school, Dobie signed with Baylor University where he played football for the Baylor Bears. He left Baylor and signed with Howard Payne University to play basketball and in his senior year he ran track for the Yellow Jackets.

Dobie was recruited by the Oakland Raiders in 1962. He played wide receiver and flanker back for the Raiders in 1962 and 1963. In 1964 he was traded to the Houston Oilers where he played for 1 year.

Dobie loved playing all sports where he excelled in many and simply played for recreational purposes in others.

Besides his professional football career, Dobie worked in the oil field beginning as a swab unit helper and working his way to becoming a consultant. He made many life-long friends and acquaintances in the oil field which he considered to be more family than friend.

Dobie married Gayle Brinkman on July 7, 1962. They had two children, Kay Lynn Culp (Charlie) and Valerie Busby (John). Dobie was blessed by having

two granddaughters, Tabitha Head and Carlee Busby who were his greatest pride and joy.

Besides his wife, children, and granddaughters, Dobie is survived by his sisters, Jimmie Sue Baker of Paris, TX, Betty Jo Craig of Waxahachie, TX, and Carolyn Barry (Wayne) of San Angelo, and his brother, Bobby Craig (Melissa) of Corpus Christi, TX.

Dobie leaves behind his nieces and nephews, Dobie G. Craig, Craig Barry, Michael Barry, Patrick Barry, Alisa Swayze, Les Baker, Brittany Beebe, Russell Rasmussen, Bryan Rasmussen, Jeffrey Rasmussen, Rachel Perrens, Reid King, Kerry King, Kevin King, Kyle King, Randy Brinkman, Amy Yarbarough, Lance Craig, Maureen Henderson, Kathleen White, and Dale Vick.

Dobie was preceded in death by his parents, brothers, Wayne and Jim, Jr., and sister, Ruth Evelyn Vick.

Visitation for friends and family will be from 4-6 p.m. Sat., May 26 at Triska Funeral Home. Services begin 2 p.m. Sun., May 27 at First Baptist Church, Bro. Richard DuBroc officiating. Burial will follow at Garden of Memories.

Pallbearers will be his nephews. Honorary pallbearers will be his granddaughters, Tabitha Head and Carlee Rhae Busby and his nieces.

Triska Funeral Home, El Campo, 979-543-3681

Cemetery Details

Garden of Memories

US Business 59 and CR 358
El Campo, TX 77437

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 26. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Triska Funeral Home
612 Merchant Street
El Campo, TX 77437-3440
(979) 543-3681
triskafh@sbcglobal.net

Funeral Service

MAY 27. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church
210 Depot Street
El Campo, TX 77437

Tribute Wall

KH

“ Kay Lynn, Valerie, and Mrs. Craig my heart goes out to you during this difficult time. I will always remember him as the nicest man that was a wonderful, loving family man. He would be in the laundry room folding clothes and helping clean the house. Always welcomed me into your home and treated me like a family member during those stressful days as Kay Lynn and I were making our way through nursing school. You all are in my thoughts and prayers. With Love, Kathy Hall



Kathy Hall - May 26, 2018 at 06:29 PM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Dobie Craig.



May 25, 2018 at 09:09 PM

VM

“ Gayle, my heartfelt condolences are with you and your family during the loss of Dobie. I know he will be missed by many. Dobie was a longtime friend of mine. I lived right around the corner from the Craig's while we were in school. Ralph and Gene Johnson, Dobie and I used to play football in the front yard about a block from the high school when we were growing up...a lot of good memories. Dobie and I chatted about this last year on Facebook and he said that he remembered that well. He was the greatest athlete to come out of El Campo. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time that God will wrap His arms around you to give you comfort. God Bless, Vernon Miller



Vernon Miller - May 25, 2018 at 08:24 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dobie Craig.



May 25, 2018 at 07:24 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dobie Craig.



May 25, 2018 at 05:47 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Dobie Craig.*



May 25, 2018 at 02:24 AM



“ *Gayle, I was saddened to hear that Dobie passed away. You, Kay Lynn and Valerie, are all in my thoughts and prayers. Love to you all.*

Tamara Sommerlatte - May 25, 2018 at 01:00 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers to you Gayle and all your beautiful family. I will always remember Dobie at First Baptist church and how he was one that was there for me when I lost my dad in 1956. He was a wonderful friend and I followed his career with pride and that I could say “He was a great friend when I was growing up”.*



Patty Ellis Hodges

Patty Ellis Hodges - May 24, 2018 at 11:16 PM



“ *Patty Ellis Hodges lit a candle in memory of Dobie Craig*



Patty Ellis Hodges - May 24, 2018 at 11:00 PM

JR

“ *Judy Merta Rohan lit a candle in memory of
Dobie Craig*



Judy Merta Rohan - May 24, 2018 at 10:22 PM



“ *Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of
Dobie Craig.*



May 24, 2018 at 09:06 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the
family of Dobie Craig.*



May 24, 2018 at 06:15 PM

SM

“ *Our heart felt condolences to the family. We enjoyed visiting with
Dobie and sharing some good times with him. Love to all, Sam and
Nell Meitzen*

Sam Meitzen - May 24, 2018 at 03:32 PM

LC

“ Lance, Chun Chun and Leila Craig purchased the *Strength & Solace Spray* for the family of *Dobie Craig*.



Lance, Chun Chun and Leila Craig - May 24, 2018 at 03:13 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of *Dobie Craig*.



May 24, 2018 at 01:58 PM

JW

“ *Joe and Kathleen White* purchased the *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray* for the family of *Dobie Craig*.



Joe and Kathleen White - May 24, 2018 at 01:45 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of *Dobie Craig*.



May 24, 2018 at 12:22 PM



Jeanette
Parker

“ *Jeanette Parker lit a candle in memory of
Dobie Craig*



Jeanette Parker - May 24, 2018 at 11:43 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for
the family of Dobie Craig.*



May 24, 2018 at 11:05 AM



KM

“ *Kay Lynn and family, I am sorry to hear about
your Dad. May you find peace and comfort in
your memories. Kim Moerbe-Welnack*



Kim Moerbe-Welnack - May 24, 2018 at 08:53 AM



“ *Diana Huvar lit a candle in memory of Dobie
Craig*



Diana Huvar - May 24, 2018 at 01:04 AM