



Blanton Dawson

December 5, 1939 - July 18, 2021

Funeral services for Blanton Dawson, 81, of Gilmer, will be held at 10:00 am, Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, with Gilmer 4th Ward Bishopric, Ricky Pace. Interment to follow at Enoch Cemetery. Visitation will be held Monday, July 26, 2021, 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm, at McWhorter Funeral Home.

Blanton was born December 5, 1939, in Vernon, Texas, the fifth of six children, to William Taylor and Avva Maurine Edgar Dawson and passed from this life July 18, 2021, in Lehi, Utah. He spent most of his childhood having reconstructive surgeries, 22 in all, and is in the Baylor Medical Book as one of the first cleft palate surgeries on a child his age. Blanton grew up doing masonry work and made it a business, B & B Construction, to support his family. He was a 1961 graduate of Gilmer High School. He loved his family and enjoyed family gatherings and playing the guitar.

Those left to cherish his memory are his children, Lorena Kay Downey and husband, Michael, Jared Dawson, and Taylor Dawson; grandchildren, Erin Marie Flynn, William Christopher Downey, Steven Michael Downey, and Nathan Patrick Downey; and great grandchildren, Izzie Flynn, and Elizabeth Flynn.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Betty Dawson; son, Michael Owen; brothers, Sam Dawson, Jimmy Dawson, and Donald Carroll Dawson; sisters, Beth McKay, and Jessie Hood.

Pallbearers are Scooter Dawson, Shawn Dawson, Mason Dawson, Benjamin

Dawson, Dylan Dawson, and Chase Soule.

Honorary pallbearers are Chris Downey, Steven Downey, and Nathan Downey.

Please visit Blanton's on-line registration book at www.mcwhorterfh.com to leave a memory for the family.

Cemetery Details

Enoch Cemetery

FM 49
Gilmer, TX 75644

Previous Events

Visitation

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

McWhorter Funeral Home
1074 St. Hwy 300
Gilmer, TX 75645
(903) 734-7070
info@mcwhorterfh.com
<https://www.mcwhorterfh.com>

Service

JUL 27. 10:00 AM (CT)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
1122 Pine Street
Gilmer, TX 75644
(903) 842-3307

Tribute Wall

Taylor
Dawson

“ Taylor Dawson lit a candle in memory of
Blanton Dawson



Taylor Dawson - August 17, 2021 at 03:02 AM



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McWhorter Funeral Home - July 27, 2021 at 05:12 PM

JJ

So sorry I missed the service. Was not aware of his passing until today. Blanton and I were especially close first cousins since his mother and mine were identical twins. He was special. Will miss him greatly. Until the Veil. Eternal Love, Van Johnson.

James L (Van) Johnson - December 09, 2024 at 09:48 AM

JJ

Sorry for your loss, Van

James L (Van) Johnson - December 09, 2024 at 09:50 AM

LM

“ Blanton will surely be missed I enjoyed our trips ferrying vehicles
and truly special spirit he carried with him

Lewis Miller - July 26, 2021 at 10:08 PM

AM

“ So glad that my girls got to know my Uncle B. Some of the best memories from my childhood involve this kind man. Love to everyone there. We will miss him so much.



Allison May - July 26, 2021 at 07:49 PM

JO

“ I came to know Blanton through Upshur county Republican Party. We became good friends & when he met my husband Curtis, they became friends instantly. Blanton was one of the sweetest men I've ever met. He loved his family, his church, his town, his county, his state, & our country.

Jackie Oliver - July 26, 2021 at 05:53 PM

LB

“ My prayers and thoughts are with all Blanton's family and friends. He and Betty were a really sweet, loving couple. May God give you peace and comfort for the lonely days ahead.



Linda Shaw Bond - July 26, 2021 at 04:33 PM

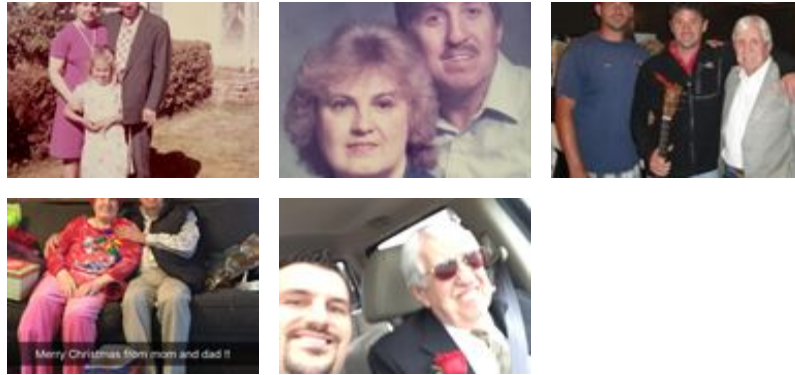
CW

“ My sincerest condolences to the family of Mr. Blanton Dawson. I first met Blanton 17 years ago when I started working for Acme Brick. It was always a pleasure to assist him when he would call or come into the office. I would see him occasionally around Gilmer and at the Yamboree. He was just one of the nicest people you would ever want to met.
Prayers of comfort to you all during this time of grieving.

Carol Williamson - July 26, 2021 at 04:13 PM



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McWhorter Funeral Home - July 26, 2021 at 02:51 PM



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McWhorter Funeral Home - July 26, 2021 at 01:16 PM

MM

“ *My condolences to the family.*

Mack McLendon - July 25, 2021 at 08:24 PM

ES

“ *Elizabeth Shaw lit a candle in memory of Blanton Dawson*



Elizabeth Shaw - July 24, 2021 at 09:42 PM