



Coy Eugene "Gene" Davis

January 17, 1963 - August 30, 2024

It is with love and in celebration of his wonderful life that we announce the passing of Coy Eugene "Gene" Davis of Gilmer, Texas, on August 30, 2024, at the age of 61 years.

He was born on January 17, 1963, to Coy and Ruth Ann Heatherly Davis. He married his best friend, Janice Marie Ward, on December 28, 1984. This year marks 40 years of their life together. Gene and Janice have one daughter, Brittany Ann Davis Gowin, and son in law, Randy Gowin.

Gene is the hardest worker most people ever have the pleasure to meet. At the age of 7 he was already climbing under houses helping his dad with the family business, Davis Electric, where he would go on to become a journeyman electrician for the next 28 years. One of his most memorable jobs was the new Gilmer National Bank. In 1986 he opened Gene's Tree Service and worked in the evenings and weekends. As hard of work as it was, it was also his favorite--the adrenaline rush of looking out across the town and the calm and peace at the top of a 90 foot pine tree. When his dad passed in 2009, Gene inherited the family business and was forced to step out of his intellectual comfort zone and pass the State of Texas master electrician exam. Even through the four years of his cancer battle, he worked as a master electrician and owner of Davis Electric until April 2024.

Gene was a devout member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and was baptized on September 28, 1984. He and Janice were sealed for time and all eternity in the Dallas, Texas temple on April 10, 1993.

Throughout his years of service in the church he held many callings of which he served steadfastly. It would be impossible to count the many service projects Gene either led or participated in, and the numerous lives and families he blessed.

Those left to carry on his loving example include his wife Janice of Gilmer, his daughter Brittany, her husband Randy, their son Colin and his wife Jordin, and daughter Hannah, all of Emory.

He is preceded in death by his father, Coy, his mother Ruth, and his sister, Vicki Lou Davis Jester.

The family extends gratitude and love to Dr. Robert Droder and the incredibly kind staff of UT Health East Texas Hope Cancer Center. Additionally, the family is grateful to all the staff of the UT Health Tyler North and Main campuses. To the many friends and family who have been there since day one, and those who have swarmed into action to aid the family, we are eternally grateful, love you, and wish you all the best the universe has to offer.

Funeral services will be held at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints on Saturday, September 7, 2024, at 10:00 AM. Interment to follow at Rosewood Park. Visitation will be at McWhorter Funeral Home on Friday, September 6, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 PM.

Please visit Gene's online registration book at www.mcwhorterfh.com to leave a memory for the family.

Cemetery Details

Rosewood Park

1884 FM 1844
Longview, TX 75605

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 6. 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

SEP 7. 10:00 AM (CT)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
1122 Pine St
Gilmer, TX 75644
(903) 843-3307

Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album Gene Davis Funeral Service



McWhorter Funeral Home - September 07, 2024 at 04:46 PM

RR

“ Larry and I always knew that we could count on Gene for any electrical issues that might arise. He was the most prompt and dedicated electrician we have ever known. Gene always had his boss, Janice, with him and it was a real pleasure to get to know them over the years. Gene will be greatly missed, he was a terrific man and I'm sure he's smiling down on all of us right now. Our most sincere condolences to Janice and the Family.

Ruthann Russell - September 06, 2024 at 03:35 PM

BG

Mom surely did handle the "management" side of things :)

Brittany Gowin - September 12, 2024 at 01:47 PM

RF

“ Ryan and Robin McCubbin family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Coy Eugene "Gene" Davis.

Ryan and Robin McCubbin family - September 06, 2024 at 07:50 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Coy Eugene "Gene" Davis.*



September 06, 2024 at 07:50 AM



“ *Love, Wesley & Kathleen Bishop planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Coy Eugene "Gene" Davis.*

Love, Wesley & Kathleen Bishop - September 05, 2024 at 10:34 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Coy Eugene "Gene" Davis.*



September 05, 2024 at 10:34 PM



“ *No family any nicer than the Davis's, past and present. He was so kind and helpful to anyone. He was always willing to drop everything and come help us at the bank. We are certainly sad that he is gone but know that he is in the arms of our Lord and Savior and saying hi to his Dad. God Bless*

DONNA VARNER - September 05, 2024 at 10:33 PM



Our family loves everyone at the bank. Essentially extended family.

Brittany Gowin - September 12, 2024 at 01:49 PM

BG

“ Gene has been a good friend of mine for all the years that I have ever known him. Gene is , & always has been a Humble, Kind, & caring man of God who was always willing to help, & be kind to others. Gene was always been a talented, & hard working man & son of God In whatever he did.

It has been & will always be my great Honor & Pleasure to have know, Associated, & worked with Gene in all the responsibilities, capacities, & projects that we have worked together on, & I will always hold it sacred, & close to my heart.

My love , condolences, & prayers goes out to all of Genes Family, Friends, & Love ones.

I know that Gene is loved By many, & will be missed by many. Till we meet again

Bobby Gray - September 05, 2024 at 03:16 AM

BG

Thank you.

Brittany Gowin - September 12, 2024 at 01:52 PM



“ 424 files added to the album LifeTributes



McWhorter Funeral Home - September 04, 2024 at 03:06 PM

BG

Gene is one of the best men that I've ever known. Honest , true, & faithful son of our Heavenly Father. I am, & will always be honored to call him my good friend , & Brother in God. I will always remember Gene as being a talented & hard worker, & provider in all that I know he ever did. I am privileged & blessed to have known & to be associated with Gene for all the years that I have known Him. My love , thoughts, prayers, & condolences goes out to all Genes Family, Friends, & Love ones. I know that Gene will be missed by so many. Until we meet again!!

Bobby Gray - September 05, 2024 at 02:36 AM

KA

“ *Gene was a hard worker and always had a smile for folks. He was a good guy.*

Kay Arrington - September 04, 2024 at 02:34 PM

BG

Gonna miss that smirk!

Brittany Gowin - September 12, 2024 at 01:52 PM

SJ

“ *Shelly and Amy Johnson purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Coy Eugene "Gene" Davis.*



Shelly and Amy Johnson - September 03, 2024 at 06:43 PM

AJ

“ *Mr. Davis and his precious family were our neighbors for around 40 years. Brittany and I grew up together, went to school together. My heart hurts so much for Janice and Brittany. Gene was a very very sweet man who was always there for any and everyone. My condolences go out to Janice and Brittany.*

Amy Johnson - September 03, 2024 at 06:33 PM

SJ

My deepest condolences go out to Janice and Brittany.

Shelly Johnson - September 04, 2024 at 09:39 AM

BG

Thank you and Shelly so much. We love you, and our little Grouse Road family is going to be so different now.

Brittany Gowin - September 12, 2024 at 01:53 PM

KB

“ *My sincere condolences to Janice and the entire Davis family. Gene was a wonderful person and will be missed. May he rest in peace.*

Karen Bishop - September 03, 2024 at 01:39 PM

BG

Thank you.

Brittany Gowin - September 12, 2024 at 01:53 PM

CA

“ *Charles A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Coy Eugene "Gene" Davis.*

Charles A. - September 03, 2024 at 12:55 PM

AA

“ *Sending love and prayers to Janice and their family. Gene was a very nice man. I remember him and his dad cutting down a huge tree in our yard when we lived on hey. 852. Gene just shimmied up and down that huge tree like it was nothing..
I pray peace and comfort to his friends and family.
Annette and Robbie Anderson*

annette Anderson - September 02, 2024 at 11:44 PM

BG

He loved to climb those trees!

Brittany Gowin - September 12, 2024 at 01:54 PM

BG

“ *We love you, Dad. You are in the very best care, and it has been the greatest honor of my life to care for you.*



Brittany Gowin - September 02, 2024 at 05:51 PM