



## David Lynn Braley

December 10, 1946 - August 29, 2025

Memorial services for David Lynn Braley, of Longview, Texas, will be held at 3:00 pm, Tuesday, September 2, 2025, at First Baptist Church, Gladewater with Brother Bailey Harris officiating. The family will receive friends at 2:00 pm prior to the service. Arrangements are under the direction of McWhorter Funeral Home.

David was born on December 10, 1946, in Sims, Texas, to Festus Orestus Braley and Effie Graham Braley and passed from this life on August 29, 2025, surrounded by his family.

David proudly served our country in the United States Army. He married Lelia Bonner on November 1, 1969, at Red Springs Baptist Church. David worked for Union Pacific Railroad for over 32 years before his retirement. With a true servant's heart, he was a member of First Baptist Church, where he enjoyed cooking for everyone. His hobbies included hunting and fishing. He was an avid cruiser and enjoyed taking his family on road trips. As a grandfather, he taught his grandchildren the importance of hard work and to always be on time.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Lelia Braley; children, Shaun Braley (Jenifer), April Riggs (Chris), and Jamie Braley (Ashli); brother, Wendell Braley; brother-in-law, David Bonner (Judy); grandchildren, Allison (Taylor),

Kasha, Kiara, Jacob, Treston (Kaitlyn), Chrisalin, Gavin (Taylor), Tucker, Addisyn, and Mason; great-grandchildren, Khloe, and Cove (coming soon); and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Festus and Effie Braley; brother, Pat Braley; sister-in-law, Lynda Braley; and sister, Marvis Keel.

Please visit David's online registration book at [www.mcwhorterfh.com](http://www.mcwhorterfh.com) to leave a memory for the family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 2. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church, Gladewater  
300 W. Upshur Ave.  
Gladewater, TX 75647

## Service

SEP 2. 3:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



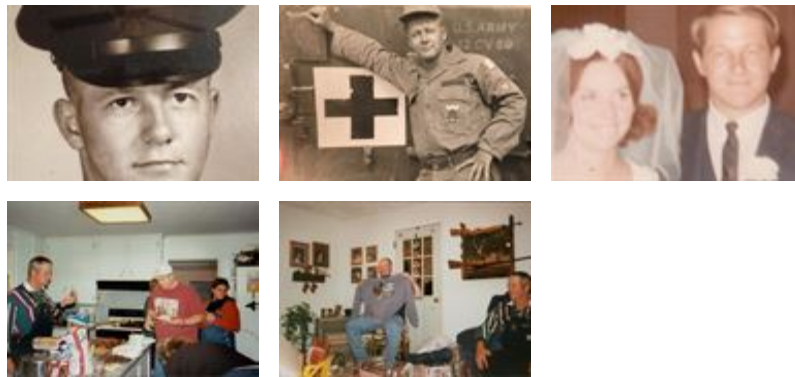
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McWhorter Funeral Home - September 03, 2025 at 08:31 PM



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McWhorter Funeral Home - September 01, 2025 at 04:24 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of *David Lynn Braley*.



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September 01, 2025 at 09:19 AM

LB

“ LaNita Bowden planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Lynn Braley.

LaNita Bowden - September 01, 2025 at 08:57 AM

LB

“ LaNita Bowden purchased the Simply Elegant Sp  
athiphyllum for the family of David Lynn Braley.



LaNita Bowden - September 01, 2025 at 08:57 AM

EH

“ So sorry for your loss. I went to school with David. We were in the  
same class. He was always so nice and polite to everyone. Prayers

Erma Cooper Horne - September 01, 2025 at 08:19 AM

DO

“ April,  
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.  
Debbie Jagers Oltmann

Debbie Oltmann - August 31, 2025 at 11:13 AM

BR

“ David you will be so missed. Your smile was so enjoyable and so  
relaxing. I remember the days when my Dad T F Graham spent all  
his vacation time down at Grandma Graham and your Mother &  
Dad. All the trouble you and my brother Tom Graham got into. You  
always had a big smile on your face as to say Who me ?

Barbara A Graham Ridout - August 31, 2025 at 07:17 AM

HF

“ Heart & Vascular Friends purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of David Lynn Braley.



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**Heart & Vascular Friends** - August 30, 2025 at 08:37 PM

NT

“ So sad to hear this, but Praise the Lord , he is now walking the streets of gold, with our Lord and Savior. Loved working in the church kitchen with David, preparing Wednesday night meals for our church family. Fly high , David and know that you will be missed!

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**Nellie Turner** - August 30, 2025 at 05:41 PM

LO

“ Mr. B !! You will be missed so much ! It was truly an honor working for you and sitting outside watching the hummingbirds, now everytime I see one I will be reminded of you. Rest in Jesus Arms , don't worry I'll always keep a Check on Mrs. B . Love you Leketha

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**Leketha Owens** - August 30, 2025 at 05:25 PM

KB

“ My cherished memory is when he took Paula, Kenny and myself to the movies to see the jungle book at the NB theatre in his Mach 1 mustang.. I will miss him so much.. Love Keith

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**Keith Braley** - August 30, 2025 at 04:08 PM

SL

*Shannon little*

*Favorite memory when Uncle David taught me and Cissy how to ski.  
We kept falling so he left us in the lake and went to eat lunch.  
And threw bull frogs on our bed when we tried to sleep in from skiing.  
Love him very much .*

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**shannon little** - September 01, 2025 at 08:35 PM