



David Elia

May 23, 1950 - May 4, 2025

Funeral services for David Elia, 74, of Gilmer, Texas, will be held at 11:00 am, Thursday, May 8, 2025, at McWhorter Funeral Home with Brother John Stone officiating. Interment to follow at Gladewater Memorial Park. The family will receive friends at 10:00 am prior to the service.

David was born on May 23, 1950, to William Raymond Elia and Leola Lucille McNeel Elia and passed from this life on May 4, 2025, in Gilmer, Texas.

David married Carol Smith on August 20, 2004, in White Oak, Texas. He worked at Texas Eastman as an electrician for 35 years before his retirement.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Carol Elia; children, Dale Russell (Tammy), Christy Elia Caviness (Phil), Jeremy Elia, Patrick Russell (Lori), Lisa Strickland (James), and Jonathon Elia (Amanda) and bonus son, Tracy Caviness; brother, Tommy Elia; sister, Charlene Elia; grandchildren, Dustyn, Cody, Buzzy, Shelbi, John, Ryder, Paige, Zachary, Logen, and Ella.

He was preceded in death by his father and mother; his momma, Ella Victoria Elia; brothers, Johnny Elia, and Raymond Elia; and his sister, Geraldine Greathouse.

Pallbearers will be Phil Johnson, Brian Johnson, Tracy Caviness, Buzzy

Caviness, John Caviness, Terry Petty, and Terry Roach.

Honorary pallbearers will be David Shipman, and Ron Perry.

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

Cemetery Details

Gladewater Memorial Park

4716 US HWY 80
Big Sandy, TX 75755

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

McWhorter Funeral Home
1074 St. Hwy 300
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Tribute Wall

KB

“ To the family: we remember David from Texas Eastman, always had a kind smile & was very nice. May Jesus comfort each of you in the days ahead. With sincere prayers & deepest sympathy,
Keith & Donna Blanton
White Oak, TX



Keith & Donna Blanton - May 11, 2025 at 11:17 AM



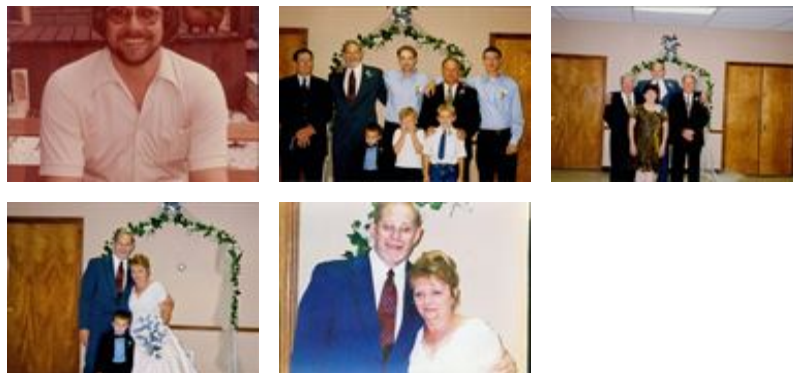
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McWhorter Funeral Home - May 08, 2025 at 04:23 PM



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JC

Met and got to know David at Eastman. Always had a smile and a good story to tell. He educated my wife and I on antiques early on when we started my wife's business. I will miss visiting with him when our paths crossed. Rest in the arms of our Lord my friend.

Jerry and Becky Cavel - May 08, 2025 at 03:55 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of David Elia.*



May 07, 2025 at 08:01 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of David Elia.*



May 06, 2025 at 10:46 AM



“ *I always babysat for Uncle David when we lived on Melton. He was one of the best uncles ever. I learned to drive a standard in his Dodge Ram. Later in years I visited when I could and went to auction some. If ever I needed help with anything I could call him. He was someone I could always depend on. One of the funniest things is when I had a surgery and he came to see me. Sat on my bed and ate my lunch. Now popping my toes was a different story, im sure a lot of people know how he did that. Loved him and will miss him.*

Paula Collier - May 05, 2025 at 08:16 PM

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AMANDA
THIINK ABOUT YOUR FRIENDS HERE IN Louisiana LOVE
ANDCARE ABOUT YOU and YOUR FAMILY. YOU HAVE HAVE OUR
DEEPEST SYMPATHY. KNOW HE'LL always be with you

Magnolia Family

L. SMITH - May 05, 2025 at 11:03 PM

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*David was a special kind of man He will be forever remembered by all
the lives touched David You have fought a great battle But we can all
say' "well done' David! Rest In Peace
Peggy & Donnie Gillen*

peggy & Donnie Gillen - May 07, 2025 at 12:14 AM

LR

“ *Lori Russell lit a candle in memory of David
Elia*



Lori Russell - May 05, 2025 at 06:32 PM