



Larry Douglas Winthrop

November 2, 1953 - December 22, 2024

Larry Douglas Winthrop, 71, of Gilmer, Texas was born on November 2, 1953, to Charles David Winthrop Sr. and Lena Lois Lane Winthrop and passed from this life on December 22, 2024, in Longview, Texas.

Larry married Tammy Jones on July 17, 1982, in Scroggins, Texas. He proudly served our country in the United States Navy.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Tammy Winthrop; son, Dustin Winthrop; daughter, Brandy Fernandez; brother, Ron Winthrop (Connie); sister, Elaine Modisette; and grandchildren, Kayli Hardin, Sage Hardin, and Lake Fernandez.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Charles David Winthrop Jr.; and sisters, Brenda Venegas, and Donna Kay Winthrop.

For if we are faithful to the end, trusting God just as firmly as when we first believed, we will share in all that belongs to Christ.

(Hebrews 3:14 NLT)

Larry understood God's definition of love and he loved God and knew that God loved him. By faith, he was sure that he would spend eternity in heaven. He inherited his mother's heart, she loved everyone and was generous to all, family, friends, or strangers.

Larry was a loving husband and father. Even after 42 years of marriage, he still referred to his wife Tammy as his "bride" and spoiled her just a bit. He had some health issues that probably gave him a premonition of death and over the last year or so he had taken steps to secure certain things for Tammy's

future.

Larry loved his cousins and extended family and kept in touch through the years. Hunter Sorrells (nephew) stated, "Larry was a mountain of personality who left a lasting impression on everyone he met." What a statement. He enjoyed going to family reunions and keeping up. When we released the news of his passing, family members were shocked. Cousin Wayne Rhodes could not believe it because he had just spoken with him.

Larry was a loyal friend to so many; always checking on them and praying for the needs they shared with him; quickly starting prayer chains for help and support. He was a good listener and could offer good advice. While working in Russia, he met a citizen that was a starving artist that could not find nor afford decent art supplies. Larry was able to get the supplies he needed from the States, including a pair of Converse shoes that his daughter had seen in a magazine. Sergey has gone on to be a prominent Sakhalin artist and lifelong friend.

Larry was a fabulous cook and took such joy in sharing his gift with others. He loved to post pictures of his creations on FB. His cooking did require an investment into all the latest gadgets and technologies lol.

He loved landscaping and planting beautiful flowers and plants. He loved making it beautiful for his "bride" and sharing photos of his latest projects on FB. Adding rocks to a yard was one of his favorites; there is not a house that he has ever lived in that did not have tons of rocks and boulders hauled to it. He did have quite an imagination for landscape design and was still going strong in Gilmer. A nice yard with lots of flowers and trees is perfect for birds. He enjoyed feeding the birds, building birdhouses for the bluebirds, feeders for the hummers, and feeders for any bird that might be traveling by. He had an app on his phone that enabled him to record the birds sounds and then identify them. He really enjoyed that when the non-native birds would migrate through the area.

His love for his fur buddies ranked close to family; to say that they are well taken care of is an understatement. Finn and Meeka are the current royalty

with Tyson, Bogey, Murfy, and Diego before them. He had a heart for all dogs and actively participated with FB lost and found and adoptions.

Larry had many accomplishments in life. He was blessed with a wonderful marriage for 42 years, had a successful career that let him travel the world. His greatest accomplishment was his relationship with God and the fact that he celebrated Christmas 2024 face-to-face with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He will be greatly missed here but anyone who wants to can join him in eternity.

In God We Trust

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

Tribute Wall

TW

“ *Im Larry's cousin Tommy Winthrop I grew with Larry he is 2 to 3 yrs. older than I. We did it all, we played and fought with others. He will surely be missed by me. We talked all the time and kept up with each other. I know what Larry believed and have faith to the uttermost where he is going. I will strive to catch up with him on my day. Until then I will certainly be praying for these who loved Larry the most, Tammy Winthrop, Dustin Winthrop, Brandy Fernandez, Ron & Connie Winthrop, Elaine Modisette, and Kayli Hardin, Sage Hardin, and Lake Fernandez.*

Tommy Winthrop - September 03, 2025 at 03:08 PM

TD

“ *I did not have the privilege of knowing Larry in person, we only communicated on FB and shared many of the same thoughts and feelings about our families and our country. I'm better for knowing him if only through our exchanges and wish I could have met him and know him better. I know he was a very good man with a big heart. Heaven just got a bit brighter. God bless you brother and all of your beloved family and friends.*

Tom Dooley - March 03, 2025 at 12:14 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Larry Douglas Winthrop.*

December 31, 2024 at 10:55 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Larry Douglas Winthrop.*



December 31, 2024 at 10:55 AM



“ *Karen G. lit a candle in memory of Larry Douglas Winthrop*



Karen G. - December 30, 2024 at 02:43 PM



From your words and the words of this obit, I send my humble sympathy to Tammy in losing such a devoted husband and friend. Wishing you strength for today, hope for tomorrow, and memories to comfort. Karen G.

Karen G. - December 30, 2024 at 02:50 PM



So sorry for your loss Tammy.

Anthony Boone - January 06, 2025 at 02:04 PM



“ *I always called him Uncle Doug and it always threw people off, but my MeMaw, his mother always referred to him as Doug. I could be a little turd as a kid, but he always stood up for me like a father figure. I got to be in his wedding, he smiled at his bride the same way every day. I'll miss him. Love you Uncle*

Robert Jason Finley - December 29, 2024 at 11:25 PM

MD

“ Mary D. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Larry Douglas Winthrop.

Mary D. - December 29, 2024 at 05:39 PM

RF

“ Uncle Larry was a really awesome man. He always saw the good in me and stood up for me when I needed it. I hadn't seen him in years, but we talked often. His Mom, my Me maw, always said i remained her of him.

Robert Jason Finley - December 29, 2024 at 05:21 AM

LK

“ My dear Cuz how I will miss you. I dearly love you and Tammy. We shared too much to write but I have it all in my heart to share with you another day. I know you are not hurting now Cuz because we all knew your heart. May God our Father keep you now cause some day we will all meet again. Love and hugs to Tammy and all my cousins. Linda

Linda Kitchens - December 28, 2024 at 11:21 PM

LI

“ I never met Mr. Winthrop except through his daughter Brandy so I know he was a heck of a guy! Brandy is a good cook and loves rocks and has an incredible love for not just furbabies but frogs, possums, birds, Daddy Long Legs and SO many more! I know now for sure she got that loving giving heart from her Daddy. Brandy, may the many memories you have of your father comfort you and your family as you get to know the world he left. -- Linda



Linda - December 28, 2024 at 04:17 PM

CW

“ *Such a wonderful Soul. I will miss his wisdom and his humor. Rest well friend.*

Carol Walker - December 28, 2024 at 02:47 PM

GD

“ *Larry listened to be through good times and bad. One fine day we will reunite again in the presence of our Lord and Savior.*

Gary Day - December 28, 2024 at 02:39 PM

MG

“ *My wife, Rose Mary is a cousin to Tammy's family(Jones)so I came late to this extended family when we married in 1993. My introduction to Larry(AND Tammy) was at one of the annual Jones Reunions. They didn't live as close to the Scroggins/Mount Vernon area back then so sometimes they didn't get to attend so it took many years for me to become acquainted with Larry but I found him to be a genuine, caring, man's man. One of his talents that wasn't mentioned was writing. He composed one of the best eulogies for his Father-in-law's funeral, L.C. Jones and he and Tammy asked me to read it at the service. I was honored to do that. Larry, you have left us all much too soon but I'll see you again someday in spirit. Rest in peace now.*



Michael Gunn - December 28, 2024 at 01:47 PM

LS

“ I had the honor to marry Doug and Tammy. One of my favorite ceremonies. You could tell they were very much in love by the way they looked at each other. That never changed over the 42+ years they were married. I pray for the peace that passes understanding to fill the hearts and minds of Tammy and the family.
Leon Stone

Leon Stone - December 28, 2024 at 12:36 PM

AH

Jerry and I shared many wonderful memories with Larry and Tammy. Larry was a loyal and faithful friend. I can just imagine those two souls in Heaven together again. Love and prayers!

Anita A. Hale - December 28, 2024 at 12:45 PM

PV

I work with his lovely wife Tammy and I feel so fortunate to have met such an amazing man. The love he had for Tammy was a love that is such an example of what a real lasting relationship should be. I truly enjoyed many delicious meals he prepare with love and sent to me via Tammy for lunch and to put in my freezer. Larry, I thank you forever more for your thoughtfulness. I will miss you dearly.

Patricia Venters - December 31, 2024 at 05:27 PM