



## Don Braden

September 18, 2009

Don T. Braden, 65, of Willis, Texas went to be with his Heavenly Father on September 13 after a four year battle with lung cancer. Don was born in Blackwell, Oklahoma and passed away at his home in Willis with his family at his side. Don grew up in Ponca City, Oklahoma, served in the U.S. Air Force and also attended the University of New Mexico. His business career began in Dallas and he later moved to Atlanta, GA where he met his wife of 35 years, Margaret Braden. They married in 1974, moved to Chicago two years later and then to Houston where he was co-founder of Dalton International, a computer leasing company based in The Woodlands, Texas. Don retired from Dalton in 1997 at which time he spent much of his time playing golf, his favorite pastime. But it was not long after he retired that he renewed his relationship with his "Maker" and became one of His many servants. Don was active in Kairos Prison Ministry, where he spent five years going to the Polunsky Unit in Livingston every Tuesday. In 2004 Don was diagnosed with lung cancer. Following treatment Don became a Spiritual Care volunteer at MD Anderson. Don was a member of Conroe First United Methodist Church where he was active in Bible Study and helped to start a cancer support ministry. Don will be remembered as a man of integrity who diligently studied God's word and applied it to his everyday life. Don is preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Verda Braden and brother, John Braden. Don is survived by his wife, Margaret; daughters Deborah Braden of Dallas, Jena Hooks and husband, Robert of Lewisville, Texas, and Lindsay Landin and husband Mike

of Virginia Beach, Virginia. Also he is survived by three grandchildren, Michael and Abby Hooks, and Grant Landin, and sisters, Janice Clevenger and Judi Hembree of Farmersville, Texas. Many nieces, nephews and friends also survive him. Many thanks go out to Dr. Katherine Pisters at MD Anderson Cancer Center and her caring staff. Also a special tribute to the "men in white" at the Polunsky Unit in Livingston, Texas. For every blessing you received from Don's presence in your life, Don received threefold. In Don's final days Odyssey Health Care made it possible for us to carry on with life while having Don at our side. Thank you. A Celebration of Don's life will be held on Friday, September 18 at The First United Methodist Church of Conroe, Texas at 11:00 A.M. A reception will follow in the gymnasium. In lieu of flowers donations may be sent to The First United Methodist Church Missions Fund, 4308 West Davis Street, Conroe, Texas 77304-4284 or Odyssey Health Care, 100 I-45 N., Ste 240, Conroe, Texas 77301.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Don Braden*

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November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Margaret, I am so sorry that we weren't able to be there for Don's Memorial. You and Don are the example when we think of the best of the best. Margaret, you are my inspiration for understanding patience and love during the darkest of times. Don had more fight and strength than most men and he had the love of a great person. You and Don were lucky to have each other. I know you will have ups and downs but it is true that Don is in a much better place and you will have the strength to go on. We are always here for you. Our Love, Mabel, Michael, Mary, Jacob & Payne !!!!*

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**Mabel & The Varnums** - September 19, 2009 at 09:24 AM



“ *I met Don when he called on me at Superior Oil Company in 1982. His goal was not to sell me but to teach me how to be a better buyer for leasing computers. I never forgot that Don taught me to become better sales person later in my career!  
About 15 years ago my wife and I saw Don and his wife at a Valentine's dinner at Bentwater with his wife and the next thing we knew a bottle of Champayne was sent to our table. We never knew where it came from until I threatened the waiter several days later. That was Don's way, low key. I already miss my old range rat friend at Bentwater.*

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**David Cunningham** - September 18, 2009 at 02:44 PM

KS

“ Dear Margaret and Family,  
My family and I were saddened to hear of Don's passing. As you know, I was privileged to work for Don for nearly nine years. You were both there for me during my cancer diagnosis, treatment and recovery -14 years ago. I am especially grateful for your sponsorship of my 'Walk to Emmeaus'. May you be comforted by many beautiful memories and God's love.  
Karol Simms and Family

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**Karol Simms** - September 18, 2009 at 09:21 AM

LB

“ Margaret, I was sorry to hear about the passing of your beloved Don. My heartfelt sympathy and prayers go out to you and your family during this most difficult time.

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**LOIS Blackburne** - September 17, 2009 at 07:52 PM

LT

“ Dear Margaret,  
My prayers go out to you and your family in the passing of Don. He will be greatly missed by everyone. Don was the person who energized those around him. I know his love of Our Lord and his huge smile brought many into the light. He had a servant's heart and will be used by God in a huge way for his eternal life. God Bless You for your faith and perserverance during this hard trial.

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**Lynn Turner** - September 17, 2009 at 07:27 PM

KF

“ Margaret and Lindsay, my thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Sending my love to you both...

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**Kasey Folk** - September 17, 2009 at 01:04 PM

SR

“ Hey Margaret, I know you will miss Don and the days ahead will be lonely, but I hope you will find comfort in remembering the good times you both had.

*The best blessing for you and the family is to know that Don loved the Lord and you all know where he is today.*

*May God comfort you in the days to come.*

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**Suzanne Rogers** - September 16, 2009 at 06:51 PM

BB

“ Margaret you exemplified the patience of Job. You and Don were always in our prayers while he was with us and we will constantly lift you up in the years to come. We know the Holy Spirit will lead you through these years.

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**Bob & Beth Braden** - September 16, 2009 at 12:34 PM

JH

“ My thoughts go out to you Lindsey and your family. I only met your father a few times but that was enough to see what a good and Godly man he was. I will be praying for your families healing

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**Jarod Hunt** - September 16, 2009 at 11:00 AM

JS

“ Margaret, We were so sorry to learn of Don's passing. He fought a long battle. We both pray that in the days ahead God will grant you peace and comfort and that you will find joy in knowing the assurance of Gods unsurpassed love for you both. God Bless you and your family. Lesley and Jim Spencer

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**Jim and Lesley Spencer** - September 16, 2009 at 08:30 AM

RA

“ *I will always remember the kindness Don showed me. What a good man. Class of '62 Ponca City High School.*

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**Russell Archer** - September 16, 2009 at 08:27 AM

IS

“ *Margaret,*

*My heartfelt sympathy to you and your family. Don fought a long, hard battle. I truly enjoyed the times I spent with him when you would be in Sheffield visiting. I believe Lindsay is the only child I met, however my condolences certainly go out to you and the entire family.*

*I send this on behalf of our family. Mom is currently in France but i shall let her know. It goes without saying what the Brooks family means to us.*

*Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.*

*Sincerely,  
Ian*

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**Ian Sanford** - September 15, 2009 at 09:12 PM

ME

“ *Our Prayers go out to you Lindsay and your family. I know times are tough when you lose a loved one but God will see you through.*

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**Melvinlyne** - September 15, 2009 at 07:54 PM

CS

“ We send our condolences to you Jena and your whole family. Our prayers will truly be with you at this time. Please let us know if we can do anything for you. May God's peace be with you all.

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**Claudia & Steve Schott** - September 15, 2009 at 12:59 PM

SL

“ What an amazing man! He will always be remembered by those he touched. My thoughts are with you all...

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**Steve Landin** - September 15, 2009 at 11:39 AM

SS

“ I send my condolences to you, Lindsay, and your family. I will keep you all in my prayers.

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**Sherada Straughter** - September 15, 2009 at 10:48 AM

CM

“ I heard about Don't illness about 6 months ago. I said many prayers for him and for you Margaret and Lindsay. May God's peace be with you.

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**Carol Hughes McGinnis** - September 14, 2009 at 09:52 PM