



Lawrence "Butch" Dobraski

December 11, 1953 - December 27, 2013

Lawrence "Butch" Edward Dobraski Lawrence "Butch" Edward Dobraski was called to the Lord on December 22, 2013 after a courageous two-year battle with cancer. Lawrence was born on December 11, 1953 in Conroe, Texas to Joe and Ruby Dobraski. He was a graduate of Willis High School in 1972 with both academic and athletic honors. He went on to attend Sam Houston State University where he received his Bachelor of Business Administration in 1976. Lawrence married his high-school sweetheart, Joni, of 37 years in March of 1976 and had two sons, Dustin and Dane. Lawrence spent the majority of his career in the wood products industry where he was extremely respected and well-liked by all that knew him. He was currently employed at Landscaper's Pride in Huntsville, TX where he loved his job and co-workers dearly. Lawrence devoted his life to his family and always put them first in everything he did. He was a loving husband to his wife, a patriarch, best friend and life-long role model to his two sons. He adored and idolized his grandchildren, Kylie and Dawson and they looked to him as a hero. Lawrence was also a loving brother, uncle, father-in-law, grandfather, and best friend to many others that he touched throughout his life. He always greeted you with a smile and was constantly trying to help others. Lawrence had a huge heart and never had a bad day. He wore a big smile every day of his life through the toughest of times to the very end. He loved his job, raising cattle, and cooking for family and friends on Sunday evenings. His favorite hobby was deer hunting through which he created so many good times and lifelong memories

with friends and loved ones. Lawrence was preceded in death by his father, Joseph Dobraski and mother Ruby Dobraski. He is survived by the love of his life, Joni, oldest son Dustin and wife Hailey, younger son Dane and girlfriend Michaelanne Teeters. He has two grandchildren Kylie and Dawson whom he adored. He is also survived by his brother and best friend, Michael Dobraski, caring big sister Angie Kroll and brother-in-law Joseph Kroll, special sister-in-law Robin Miller and mother-in-law Carolle Lynn special caretaker, old friend and father-in-law Dewey Miller and numerous nieces and nephews. The family would like to thank all of their employers and co-workers that have been so supportive over the last two years. They would also like to thank everyone for all of the support and prayers they have given to Lawrence and his family. Our heartfelt gratitude to all of Lawrence's doctors and ICU nursing staff that provided not only excellent care, but unending compassion throughout his multiple hospital stays. Funeral services for Mr. Dobraski will be held Friday, December 27, 2013, 1:00 p.m., at First Presbyterian Church in Huntsville, Texas. Interment will follow in Shepard Hill Cemetery, New Waverly, Texas. Family will receive friends Thursday, December 26, 2013, from 6:00-8:00 p.m., at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville, Texas. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.shmfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence "Butch" Dobraski*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Lawrence was a wonderful friend. Ralph loved and respected him so much and always said he wished he could be more like him. The kind of man that could make you smile no matter how bad your day was going. He will be missed dearly. Please don't hesitate to call us if we can ever help your family in anyway. Love, The Fiscus Family*

Mrs. Fiscus - December 27, 2013 at 10:11 AM



“ *Joni & the entire family my thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of sorrow. The world has truly lost a wonderful loving man who was loved by so many. Have not seen Lawrence in years, but will always remember that smile. Love to you all! Kathy "Sloan" Messer*

Kathy "Sloan" Messer - December 26, 2013 at 09:34 PM



“ *RIP Butch
Henthorn Family*

Elizabeth Henthorn - December 26, 2013 at 04:41 PM

TB

“ Dear Joni, Dustin, Dane and Family.

We are very sorry to here of the loss of Lawrence. Your family is in our prayers.

With love,

Tony and Rowena Belinoski

Tony and Rowena Belinoski - December 26, 2013 at 04:12 PM

DT

“ Dear Joni and family: We are so sorry to hear about Lawrence. Due to another death in BeBes family we will be unable to attend. Please know we will be thinking of you and keeping your family in our thoughts and prayers. Our love, Bebe, Diane, Lacey Tomczak

Diane Tomczak - December 26, 2013 at 03:59 PM

PS

“ The Dobraski Family,
I truely can share in your pain. God only knows how much Lawrence was really suffering but you would never know by the will he had to see another day. I will always cherish the days we have spent with him picking out chickens for you boys & now the grandkids. He always put his trust in Sug & I and I will miss that extra holder. Know I will always be here for you all & Love each of you deeply. He is now walking with others in that much better, pain free Heaven.

Pat Slott - December 26, 2013 at 09:28 AM

CM

“ I will always cherish the memories I have of L.D. and the rest of the gang from all the great times we had on the deer lease. Words cannot begin to describe how sorry I am for your loss. Lawrence was a great man, and will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers.

Cody Mack - December 25, 2013 at 03:02 PM

AF

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Please know that our prayers are with you. May God bless you and your family. Please know that if you need me for anything please don't hesitate to call.

*Love Cheryl Viniarski- Adamick & Family
936-344-6706*

Adamick Family - December 24, 2013 at 07:24 PM

DU

“ Our thoughts, love and prayers are with your family during this time. May God wrap his comforting arms around you. All our love.

Danny and Pam Upchurch - December 24, 2013 at 11:23 AM



“ Dear Dobraski Family,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Butch was a wonderful man with a wonderful family. He will be missed but what a legacy he is leaving...
All our love,
Paul, Kameron, Brayden, and Grace Wilder

December 24, 2013 at 10:10 AM

RB

“ Our hearts are saddened. I just say Butch the other day at fishpond and he was so happy. God Bless yall and yall are in our prayers. He will be dearly missed.

rose nd richard buckner - December 23, 2013 at 09:06 PM

HH

“ Joni & family so sorry to hear of your great loss our thoughts & prayers are with you..Cathy & Harrell Holland

Harrell Holland - December 23, 2013 at 07:38 PM

NK

“ Dear Joni, My heart, thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Lawrence was a special man and is now among the Angels. We lost mama a couple of weeks ago.....so Mama will greet him in heaven. My love to you. Nadine

Nadine Kossow - December 23, 2013 at 06:34 PM

DB

“ Lawrence was a special person and it was honor to have called him my friend. I always looked forward to seeing him at the deer lease and spending time with the whole Dobraski family. May God bless all of your and may Butch rest in peace.

Donald Bilnoski - December 23, 2013 at 06:01 PM

KN

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this hard time. He always had a smile on his face and was full of life. May you have peace knowing that he is with God and so many of our Angels that have gone before us. With much love, Karen

Karen McKeown Newman - December 23, 2013 at 04:28 PM

SW

“ *Joni, Dustin and Dane,*

Heaven received another angel. Your Dad will be missed. Growing up I can remember spending time around him and he was such a great man.

Bless you all,

Stacey

Stacey Whiteside - December 23, 2013 at 04:17 PM

JM

“ *Joni & family, I am so sorry for your loss. Please know you are in my thoughts in Prayers.*

Jill Meekins

Jill Meekins - December 23, 2013 at 02:51 PM

AW

“ *I am so very sorry to hear about your Father. Although I did not know him well I knew he must have been a fantastic dad to raise such great hardworking fun loving men. I pray that The Lord brings comfort and peace to your heartaches and your mothers.... As well as the rest of your family. With deepest condolences....*

Amie Wilson

Amie Wilson - December 23, 2013 at 01:42 PM

SS

“ Dear Dustin, Dane & Family,
We are so very sorry for your loss-
We know that no words can help ease the pain during this time, but
know that we are here for you and whatever you might need.
Your Dad was an outstanding man and he will be missed.
Much Love,
The Stanfields

Steven & G Stanfield - December 23, 2013 at 01:35 PM

DM

“ Lawrence was a great father and husband and a dear friend of ours.
He and his brother/sons/nephews were so caring and wonderful to
my mother and father during there time on the ranch. God bless him
and his family. With our love, Marcella and Darrel Wells

Darrel Wells MD - December 23, 2013 at 11:38 AM

CM

“ Dear Joni, Dustin, Dane and family: Our hearts are aching for you
all. Lawrence was one of the strongest people we have ever known
He fought so hard, he is now your Christmas angel. We will miss
hearing him say "Hey Cuz" whenever we ran into each other. May
he rest high with Jesus.

Our love,
Carolyn, Gary, Brittany & Spencer

Carolyn McClure - December 22, 2013 at 06:58 PM