



David Lamont Furlow

October 10, 1950 - July 1, 2022

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Lamont was born to Shelton Estill and Hope Ellen (Bargesser) Furlow on October 10, 1950, at Medical Center Hospital in Odessa. Lamont was known for being an easy going, all-around good guy. Most everyone liked him. He was a proud member of the Odessa High School graduating Class of 1969. He and his wife of 52 years, Diane, attended every reunion since the 5-year reunion. These graduates really like each other.

Lamont was an entrepreneur with many business interests. With his friends mar and Barry, they owned and operated a fleet of limousines in the Midland-Odessa area. He then owned and operated Searchlights and Balloons Etc. of Odessa for over 20 years. He continued full-time employment in paper, television, and radio advertising throughout the Permian Basin. This is when the whole family became involved. Each one of us took our turn running Searchlights and setting up the promotional balloons wherever they had been booked, regardless of weather (and whether we wanted). Truly, we all took our turn caring for the business. At this time, his daughter, Michelle, still runs the local #865, and his son, David, manages the Big Sky Drive In Theater.

Lamont was a 52-year member of IATSE Local 865. As such, he had opportunities to stagehand on such movies as "The Andromeda Strain". He enjoyed working alongside Willie Nelson and Gary Busey in "Barbarosa" as

well as Kevin Costner and Judd Nelson in "Fandango". The count of just how many concerts, events, and stage productions he worked across West Texas has been lost. He would entertain you with boundless stories of his experiences. He ended his career as Manager of the Big Sky Drive-In Theater which brought him full circle from where he began at the drive-ins.

Most special to Lamont was his family. He loved his mom and dad, his brothers and sister. He was fortunate to love and be proud to have Diane for 52 years. He was proud of both of his kids and his five grandkids. They have many sweet memories of him...MOSTLY!!!

a Memorial Service will be held July 13, 2022 at American Heritage Funeral Home, 4100 N FM 1788 in Midland at 3:00 PM.

David Lamont Furlow died July 1, 2022 at Medical Center Hospital. Lamont was preceded in death by his father Shelton (Speck) and his mother, Hope . He is survived by his wife Diane; daughter, Michelle Gibson; and son, David Lamont Furlow II and his wife, Amanda; grandchildren, Rebekah Nykoal King and Devan , Cheyenne Michelle Gibson ,William LeRoy Gibson III, David Lamont (Mac) Furlow III, and Leah Nell Furlow. Lamont is also survived by his brothers, Curtis Lynn Furlow, Gordon Darryl Furlow and his wife Tina; sister, Shelley Hope Davis and her husband Dave; as well as many nephews and nieces.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to www.strokecamp.com. After his stroke in October 2013 he enjoyed going to the stroke camps.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUL 13. 3:00 PM (CT)

American Heritage Funeral Home

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Tribute Wall

AS

“ I worked with Lamont at the radio stations in the 90's and he was a great friend. I also know Diane through the bingo organizations. Lamont will be missed. Sending prayers to Diane and the family for peace and comfort.



Annette Sellers - July 14, 2022 at 03:16 PM

DF

Thank you Annette

Diane Furlow - August 05, 2022 at 04:19 PM

LD

“ Love, Susie & Craig Donah purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of David Lamont Furlow.



Love, Susie & Craig Donah - July 12, 2022 at 07:50 PM

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“ IATSE Local No 865 purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of David Lamont Furlow.



IATSE Local No 865 - July 11, 2022 at 11:39 PM

YF

“ *Your Bennett Bennett & Trice Family purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of David Lamont Furlow.*



Your Bennett Bennett & Trice Family - July 11, 2022 at 11:36 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David Lamont Furlow.*



July 11, 2022 at 11:09 AM

GH

“ *I have many memories working with Hope and Lamont and the whole Furlow family as a local stagehand since the early 1990s. I found this picture of him at our annual Christmas party at my VFW Post in December, 2015. Everyone knew everybody like a big family, and I'll always cherish the time we shared.*



Guy Harned - July 07, 2022 at 05:54 AM

DF

Thank you for the memory

Diane Furlow - August 05, 2022 at 04:22 PM

MT

“ Lamont and I worked together at KGEE radio in the 80's and remained life long friends. He was such a great man and we could agree to disagree and still remain friends. He was a true family man working hard daily to provide. He also was so proud of his children and grandchildren. I hope he is at peace now, watching over and smiling. Bless Diane and the family.

Molly Thorn - July 06, 2022 at 08:41 AM

DF

Thank you for the kind words and the beauty memory

Diane Furlow - August 05, 2022 at 04:23 PM

TR

“ I knew Lamont from the concert world, where we worked MANY shows over the years, as a young sound guy working for Fitzco, I got to know Lamont as we worked a lot of shows together, Using Hope, and the union, for our stage hands...his mom, kids, sister, all would come work their tails off..never complaining. Only after the drive in opened did I find out about the long history of his drive in movie career. Lamont worked circles around us young guys, I learned a lot from him....all my knot tying...he taught me. We shared a lot of laughs together...he would make me laugh even when he was not trying to, I will cherish his memory! God bless you Lamont, and God bless all the family!!



Todd Richardson - July 04, 2022 at 01:11 PM

RO

“ 1 file added to the album Lamont and Diane



Robert - July 03, 2022 at 12:17 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of David Lamont Furlow.



July 02, 2022 at 07:07 PM

KM

“ I have wonderful memories of Lamont. Of course Central Baptist where i still attend and Lamont and his family attended. I also remember he and his parents working at the drive in theaters. Praying for Diane and her family.

Ken and Jo Murphey - July 02, 2022 at 04:17 PM

KH

I remember him and my dad at the Grand Ole Opry. He was very caring. My prayers and thoughts go out to my cousins and 2nd cousins. Lamont always let me in to the Winwood Theater. I can't count how many times I saw Star Wars when it came out. RIP Uncle Lamont. Tell my mom I said hello.

Kerri Holladay - July 02, 2022 at 06:50 PM



“ I can't but remember Lamont, Diane (his wife & my sister) working as teenagers at the Twin Terrace and the other drive-in movies. The movie business stayed an important part of Lamont's life. I remember that as friends I was his date for OHS Senior Prom. I didn't know how to dance and we both had sweaty hands but was for both of us our first Prom and a source of teasing all these years. Lamont was a very good man and a great story teller.

Pam McFarlen - July 02, 2022 at 03:04 PM