



David Charles Arnquist

July 4, 1954 - August 27, 2021

David Charles Arnquist, age 67, passed peacefully from this realm surrounded by his loving family on August 27, 2021 at his home in Pilot Point TX from a sudden and brief illness. David was born on July 4, 1954 in Dallas, TX to Otto Morris Arnquist and Dorothy Joan Arnquist.

He graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School and attended El Centro College. David was very mechanically inclined and one of his first jobs was as a car mechanic where he met his close life-long friend, Don King, which led to many adventures in water skiing and skydiving. Adventures that grew many close friends who would often stop by one of the many parties that he and his wife of thirty-eight years threw.

While skydiving, he was needed as an aircraft mechanic and earned his A&P license and the nickname "Twister" from twisting wrenches on the jump plane he traveled with. He made over 3,000 skydives in his time on this earth and was working on that number when he met the love of his life, Sonja, in Zephyrhills Florida. David then needed a different job to help support his growing family and Texas Instruments in Dallas, Pratt & Whitney in West Palm Beach, and finally his twenty-seven years at Abbott Labs in Irving TX filled that mechanical engineer spot.

David has many patents to show for his hard work, and his mechanical

abilities were great at home also because whenever anything was broken, he could fix it! But his greatest accomplishment is his two outstanding children whom he loved dearly.

David was a very generous and caring person. He was always willing to help someone in need. Through his church, he helped support “Youth With A Mission” and also, went on many mission trips to Peru

David is survived by: Lauren Elizabeth Munoz and husband Michael from Lewisville TX, David Blake Arnquist and wife Teresa Schwankl from McKinney TX; two very precious grandchildren, Caelan Jack Arnquist and Isabelle Ruby Munoz.

David loved the outdoors, and enjoyed taking his family camping, snow skiing and water skiing, and during his short retirement, he and Sonja enjoyed camping in their RV. Also left behind and missing him along with Sonja, are his beloved sister, Clare Card and husband David, from Dallas, who he shared many good times with at their lake house at Lake Whitney, and his architect older brother, Bill Arnquist and wife Mary, also of Dallas, and many very special nieces, nephews and cousins.

David is preceded by his parents, Dorothy and Otto; his younger brother, John Arnquist and his wife Carol of Lewisville TX.

A memorial service will take place on Monday, September 20, 2021, 11:00AM at St David's of Wales Episcopal Church, 623 Ector Street, Denton TX.

In lieu of flowers donations can be sent online to the CJD Foundation <https://cjd.foundation.org/> You may also call 800-659-1991 to donate by phone, or mail checks to: CJD Foundation 3634 W. Market Street Suite 110 Akron, OH

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Previous Events

Funeral Service

SEP **20**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. David's of Wales Episcopal Church
623 Ector St.
Denton, TX 7621

Tribute Wall

LS

“ We, unfortunately, were unable to get to know David very well but from what we did know, he was an amazing man with a great family and support system. Thank you for allowing a bunch of strangers to come into your lives and care for him.
We pray that you all find peace.

*Lindsay Silva
Living Well Senior Care*



Lindsay Silva - September 20, 2021 at 12:46 PM

LL

“ Thinking of David, Sonja and the family as I return from So. Padre. So many fond memories and chats about RVs. Disappointed I'm missing his celebration of life and all the Abbott folks that will show up to honor him. Rest in Paradise David, you are undoubtedly one of a kind and I'm thankful to have called you friend. Lori Lumby-Nicks

Lori Lumby-Nicks - September 20, 2021 at 12:34 PM

RS

“ Blue skies forever David. You will be missed! So many fun times with you and your family over the years. I am blessed to have known you. The memories are forever in my heart. Sending love to Sonja, David Blake and Lauren. Love you all
Regina smith



Regina Smith - September 16, 2021 at 08:54 AM

SM

“ I was saddened and shocked to hear of David's passing. I'll always remember his good natured and positive attitude and his smile. He will be missed by me and all that knew him.

Steve Mhoon

Steve Mhoon - September 14, 2021 at 12:57 PM

CH

“ Just heard of David's passing. He was a pleasure to work with at Abbott Laboratories. Always upbeat and always a smile. He will be missed.

Chuck Holzinger

chuck holzinger - September 13, 2021 at 07:46 PM

MZ

“ Wow, I'm really crushed to learn of David's passing. Although we have not been close since high school, we were very close in high school, spending countless hours together. Whether we were working on sets for stage productions, or bumming around in either his old VW or his 1958 Karmann Ghia, we were having fun. Sonja, we only met briefly at one of the TJ reunions, but I vividly remember how proud David was to introduce me to you. We have all lost a special one. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Mike Zacharias

Mike Zacharias - September 13, 2021 at 06:24 PM

CK

“ Sonja and family, We were so sorry to hear of David's passing. Know you are in our thoughts, prayers and hearts. Dennis and Charlene Koesters

Charlene Koesters - September 13, 2021 at 04:47 AM

CT

“ I am so sorry for your loss. He was a special guy. I knew him growing up at Aero Country with my Mom, Beverly, and step-father, Bobby Brown.
Love & blessings, Christine Taylor

Christine Taylor - September 12, 2021 at 01:47 PM

KW

“ Sonja, Lauren and David ,
Our thoughts and prayers are with your family for peace and healing.
Wayne and Kaye Williams

kaye williams - September 10, 2021 at 05:29 PM

SE

I saw of David's passing and sorry for your loss. As soon as I read David Arnquist, it brought back many memories. I hope you can remember many many years ago to my family, my mom and dad were James and Margaret Yeakley. We played together as kids. My brother is Mark and I was nicknamed Tootie. Mom and dad were friends of Dot and Ott until we lost touch. My parents are gone now but my mom sometimes mention Dot and Ott and wondered where they were now and how the kids were doing.
Reading David's many accomplishments, I was not surprised. He had great role models. Sandra Yeakley Ellis

Sandra Ellis - September 15, 2021 at 05:13 PM