



## Derrill Dale "The Snail" Emery

March 4, 1939 - March 16, 2018

Derrill Dale "The Snail" Emery, 79, of Little Elm, TX passed away Friday, March 16, 2018 in Denton, TX. He was born March 4, 1939 in Stillwater, OK to Clifford and Hester (Wells) Emery. He married Brenda Vick on December 30, 1989 in Reno, NV. Dale and Brenda were together for 38 years. He is survived by his wife Brenda Emery of Little Elm, TX; son, Dale Emery, Jr.; daughters, Julie Davis and Amy McCaleb; grandchildren, Grant, Jackson, Cassidy, Delaney, Leah, Kailey and Colton; brother, Leo; and sisters, Marce and Coleen. He was preceded in death by his parents Clifford and Hester; and brother, Raymond. A memorial service will be held at 1:00PM, Saturday, April 14, 2018 at Midway Baptist Church in Aubrey, TX with Kenny Guthrie officiating. On-line condolences may be shared at [www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com](http://www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com). In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Brenda Emery-Memorial Fund for Dale Emery and sent to North Dallas Bank, 7359 Preston Road, Frisco, TX 75034. The proceeds will go to Medical Research. Arrangements are under the direction of Terri Slay and Slay Memorial Funeral Center. To send a flower arrangement to the family of Derrill Dale "The Snail" Emery, please click [here](#) to visit our Sympathy Store.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Dale once lived in California. Dale and Raymond, his brother worked for Raymond, International as pile drivers. I worked with both Brothers. Dale was racing a Chevrolet coupe when we first met. I first met Raymond Emery and later on a job, met Dale. We worked on a number of jobs together. Dale and I roomed together on a number of out of town jobs. We left Hayward, CA on a holiday Sunday to go to a bank construction job at Crescent, CA a very long drive for us and I believe it was our last joint job. I left piledriving and the final time I saw Dale he came to my Machine shop in Fremont, Ca and together we drove to a meeting. At the time Dale was living in Livermore, CA. Dale was a fine friend when we knew each other. I recall him driving Pure Hell for Rich Guasco. I believe Dale had his own dragster in a garage. But funding one of those was expensive. I am so sorry we did not get back together when he moved to Texas. I always enjoyed working with Dale on various jobs. Dale also departed piledriving. My father also worked for Raymond, International and most of us were kind of like family. RIP Dale. Best wishes to his family and friends in TX. Dale is missed by many people. What a wonderful man. I knew him when he was in his Early 20s as I was. I think I last saw him around 1971. Robert A Whitmore

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**ROBERT WHITMORE** - March 14, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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“ I have many Golden Olden Memories of Dale from the 1970s. My thoughts and prayers are now with Brenda and family and friends.

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**Martha D.** - March 31, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ I was honored to have known Dale. His wife told me that Dale trusted me as his Dr. Even though I was his Nurse Practitioner! Which was a great honor, since he didn't trust many medical professionals . His Spirit to live was so strong, I could see it in his eyes from the moment I met him , even with all his medical issues. You could tell he was exceptional, before you ever took his social or medical history. I was fortunate to see him the days before his death as I was visiting a friend in the same ICU. I will never forget the Halloween Costumes he wore at Bebo's & Kathy's parties! He was an exceptional individual & I am honored that I got to meet & take care of him. He will be missed. I feel blessed having to know him in my Professional & Social life! He is an Icon, but so humble to interact with. I loved you Dale & I love you Brenda!

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**Margaret Hines** - March 30, 2018 at 12:00 AM