



Dale "Tom" Thomas Brown

March 2, 1953 - June 20, 2022

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Rayne, LA - Funeral services will be held on Thursday, June 23, 2022 at 10:30 am at Gossen Funeral Home Chapel in Rayne, LA for Dale "Tom" Thomas Brown, 69, who died Monday, June 20, 2022 at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital in Lafayette, LA with his daughters by his side. His battle with cancer was brief, but his will to fight did not diminish even to his final breath. While his body may have failed, his sharp wit and edgy sense of humor remained consistent through his final days as he continued to bring joy and laughter to those around him.

Interment will be in the St. Joseph Cemetery #2, Mausoleum in Rayne, LA.

Deacon Denis LaCroix with St. Joseph Catholic Church will conduct the funeral services.

A Rosary will be prayed Wednesday, June 22, 2022 at 6:30 pm in Gossen Funeral Home in Rayne, LA.

The family requests that visitation be observed in Gossen Funeral Home in Rayne, LA on Wednesday, June 22, 2022 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm and on Thursday, June 23, 2022 from 8:00 am to 10:30 am.

Tom was born on March 2, 1953 to Dale and Sylvia Brown in New Orleans, LA. After graduating from Chalmette High School in 1971, he went on to continue his studies at the University of Southwestern Louisiana. He graduated in 1975 with a Bachelor's degree in Journalism Broadcasting. After graduation he began his career as a sports broadcaster for KLFY 10. He eventually transitioned into the sales industry and spent the last 27 years working in purchasing for Church Point Wholesale as a Category Manager for candy and snacks. A self proclaimed "sports junkie," Tom loved all things sports. He was especially passionate about anything involving UL athletics as he spent many years working in the press box and running the scoreboard for an array of UL sports. He remained active with Notre Dame High School athletics, and he wrote post-game stories for the Crowley Post Signal. Tom also broadcasted the Notre Dame Friday night football games over the radio and was a member of 'Five Guys Stories and Lies' radio talk show. His daughters were his pride and joy as he was always their biggest fan and loudest cheerleader. He adored his grandchildren whom he supported unconditionally through all of their endeavors from wrestling matches and baseball games to dance recitals and graduations.

He is survived by his daughters Lindsey Brown, Casey Curtis (husband JT), Kelsey Caswell (husband Bren); eight grandchildren Tiffany Trahan, Kaydon Trahan, Addisyn Trahan, Jack Hunt, Dane Curtis, Wes Curtis, Effi-Anna Caswell, and Josie-Beth Caswell; one sister Janet Brown; one aunt Betty Ann Higginbotham (husband George) of Pontotoc, Mississippi; one uncle Robert Brown, Jr. (wife Toni) of Houlika, Mississippi; one godchild Angela Doucet Mickles; and a host of cousins and friends. He was anxiously anticipating his promotion to great-grandfather in September upon the arrival of his great-grandson Jett Mikel Trahan. Tom was preceded in death by his father, Dale Gipson Brown; his mother, Sylvia Marie Bergeron Brown; his grandparents, Robert Gipson and Annie Bell Brown, and Edward and Mathilde Bergeron; as

well as three aunts, and long-time friend Stewart Blue.

Pallbearers will be JT Curtis, Bren Caswell, Kaydon Trahan, Jack Hunt, Guy Rials, Bobby Blanchard, Dan McDonald, Glen Quebedeaux.

In lieu of flowers monetary donations can be made in Tom's memory to the Ragin Cajun Athletic Foundation, P. O. Box 43603, Lafayette, LA 70504.

The family would like to extend a special thanks to Dr. Elias Moussaly, the oncology staff at Our Lady of Lourdes Regional Medical Center, Fritz Welter, the ULL posse, 'Maconga,' and to all friends and family members who have reached out in any kind of way. We have felt your love and support as we have navigated through this very difficult season.

Friends may view the obituary and guestbook online at www.gossenfuneralhome.net.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Gossen Funeral Home, Inc. of Rayne, LA, (337) 334-3141.

Gossen Funeral Home, Inc.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Cemetery #2 Mausoleum.

400 East Betty Street
Rayne, LA

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 22. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Gossen Funeral Home Chapel
504 N. Polk St
Rayne, LA 70578

Rosary

JUN 22. 6:30 PM (CT)

Gossen Funeral Home Chapel
504 N. Polk St
Rayne, LA 70578

Visitation

JUN 23. 8:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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Cemetery

JUN 23 (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Gossen Funeral Home Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Dale "Tom" Thomas Brown



Gossen Funeral Home Inc. - June 22, 2022 at 12:16 PM

TB

Tom was a great man, and I am proud to call him a friend. Tom will be greatly missed on earth but God got him a good one.

Todd Barnes - June 22, 2022 at 10:09 PM

MA

“ I was looking people up online today that i knew in my Childhood and I ran across this obituary. I am so sorry for the loss of Tommy Brown. My name is Mary Ann and though i live in the western part of the United States now, i have fond memories from my Childhood on Marietta Street. I was good friends back then with Tommy's sister and i was over at their house many times a week. Their family also Used to come over to our home and often we spent Christmas or new year's eve at one of our houses back in the 60s. Tommy was always such a nice person and always nice and personable. I remember him and our memories from our childhood fondly. My condolences to his family, so sorry to read that he is no longer with us.
Fondly

Mary Ann - October 03, 2024 at 10:12 PM

LK

“ Our condolences to Tommy's family. We grew up with Tommy on Marietta Street in Chalmette. We had loads of fun and many good memories!!
Larry King

Larry King - April 03, 2023 at 02:10 PM

DL

“ I grew up with Tommy. I lived three houses down. My family and his family were very close . We went to school together. I am so sorry to hear about his death. May God be with you and your family. My prayers are with you. *Diane King Lacour*

Diane Lacour - April 02, 2023 at 08:17 PM

JM

“ Tom was truly "one of the good ones". Our line of work more often than not feels like one great big extended family. There is definitely going to be a big hole on our vendor "family" with Tom gone. So thankful to have been able to see him and get a great big Tom Brown Hug at the show a few weeks ago.
I will pray a Rosary in his memory. He will be missed.
Jennifer Myers- Venture Sales

Jennifer Myers - June 23, 2022 at 05:52 PM

RO

“ Tom was a childhood friend living in Chalmette, LA. Great Guy...
God Speed!

Ron - June 22, 2022 at 10:57 PM

TR

“ Sending our Sincere condolences from the Mondelez International Family. It was a pleasure working with Tom.

Troy Reine

Troy Reine - June 22, 2022 at 06:29 PM

RJ

*I knew Tommy since we were 4-5 years old growing up in Chalmette. Our parents were friends. We were classmates, little league-teammates and even roommates at USL. He was a pleasant guy who not only loved sports but loved people. He had a healthy sense of humor which allowed him to put up with some of us. I did not know him well in his later years but it is obvious he had a great life, and was loved by many. He could have been a national sportscaster or sportswriter. He was talented enough and had the knowledge. But, his love of Acadiana was stronger than that ambition. I am very sorry to hear of his passing. My condolences to his close friends and family.
Ron J*

Ronald Johnson - June 23, 2022 at 05:51 PM

GH

“ I remember Tommy as he was known in Mississippi. He was always pleasant, kind, appreciative, and fun to be around.

Gina Haley - June 22, 2022 at 05:12 PM

KR

“ To Evelyn and the entire Brown family we send our condolences and prayers. Tom was really a great guy. I have so many fond memories at the apartments playing tennis and hanging out at the pool talking sports and laughing. His love for life and excitement were definitely contagious. Someone you liked being around!!

Keith & Kathy Rousseau

Keith Rousseau - June 22, 2022 at 10:34 AM

DP

“ What a great person he was, I knew him for the 27 years he was at Church Point, a real professional and very likeable and humorous. He told it like it was and what was on his mind, the good, the bad and the ugly but always in a happy go lucky way. I enjoyed hearing about his children over the years and especially hearing that voice on the microphone at the trade show. God bless him.

Drew Paoletti

Drew Paoletti - June 22, 2022 at 10:13 AM

LJ

“ I knew Tom for more than 30 years, and this news is a complete shock. He was the consummate professional during Ragin' Cajun sporting events. My biggest contact with him was during basketball games when I sang the national anthem and usually gave him the microphone before exiting the court for play. I'm devastated at this news. RIP, sweet Tom. Love and prayers, Laurie Jankower James

Laurie Jankower James - June 21, 2022 at 08:00 PM

GL

“ Tom was a dorm counselor on the 7th floor of McColloch Dorm back in the fall of 1973. He was a great friend. May the angels take you into paradise, Tommy Brown.

Gary Lavergne
B.A., USL, 1976

Gary Lavergne - June 21, 2022 at 04:59 PM

RG

“ Rhonda Guidry lit a candle in memory of Dale "Tom" Thomas Brown



Rhonda Guidry - June 21, 2022 at 03:03 PM

RG

Rest in peace my friend.

Rhonda Guidry - June 21, 2022 at 03:04 PM

CG

Tom will be missed as I have many memories of our conversations and I can still hear his laugh. Our deepest condolences. God Bless him. Casey, Keith, John, Jennifer, and Donna

Casey Genin - June 23, 2022 at 10:37 AM