



Darell "Big D" Espey

August 15, 1957 - July 3, 2019

Darell, age 61, passed away on Wednesday, July 3, 2019. He was a resident of Albany, LA. He was an extremely hard worker who dedicated many years as a truck driver. Darell had a true passion for the rodeo and was the designated "calf pusher" for all. He could also be found dancing the Jitterbug anytime there was music on. Darell had a huge heart and was always willing to lend a hand to those in need. He never met a stranger and was known for putting a smile on everyone's face. Darell was full of life, tons of fun, and the definition of a family man. He was truly one of a kind, always told you how much he loved you, and will be deeply missed.

Darell is survived by his loving wife, Susan Rayburn Espey; daughters, Kayla Espey Leggett (Jamie), Lauren Gilmore McLin (Cody), Brittany Gilmore Duhon (Stephen); sons, Darell Logan Carter Espey, Clay Espey (Dustin); sisters, Brenda Fairchild (Ronnie), Gayle Norman (Joe), Melanie Boudreaux (Kirk); and brothers, Keith Espey (Pam), Kevin Espey. He was the best Paw Paw to his grandchildren, Landon, Savannah, Brenten, Preslie, Mayson, Lila, Lincoln, Landrie, Hudson, Baby Leggett; in-laws, John and Joyce Rayburn; brother-in-law, Brandon Rayburn (Kasey); sister-in-law, Cheri Stewart (Johnson); and numerous nieces and nephews.

Darell is preceded in death by his parents, Melvin and Althea 'Tita' Espey. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the visitation at Bethlehem Baptist Church on Sunday, July 7, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Visitation will continue Monday, July 8, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until the funeral service at 11:00

a.m. Interment will follow in the church cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Bethlehem Baptist Church Cemetery

29350 S Montpelier Rd.
Albany, LA 70711

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 7. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bethlehem Baptist Church Cemetery
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Visitation

JUL 8. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Funeral Service

JUL 8. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Darell "Big D" Espey.*



July 08, 2019 at 04:35 PM



“ *Our Thoughts and Prayers are with you, May the Lord be with you..
Our Love Pasquale Swaner*

Pasquale Swaner - July 08, 2019 at 04:29 PM



“ *Our sincere condolences to the Espey Family,
Darrell was a true cowboy.*

Cheley Carpenter Family



Cheley Carpenter - July 07, 2019 at 09:37 PM



My prayers are with the family, my heart is broken on such sad news ❤️

Beth Strahan - July 08, 2019 at 03:56 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Darell "Big D" Espey.*



July 07, 2019 at 10:49 AM



“ *Susan,
I remember the day, many years ago while we were in San Antonio, when you told me about Darrel. He made you happy and I knew he would be perfect for you. He was a good man! I'm thinking of you and praying for God's comfort and healing. Love you, girl.*
Lisa Vicari

Lisa Vicari - July 07, 2019 at 10:13 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Love and prayers.*
Cynthia Kessel Struppeck

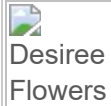
Cynthia Kessel Struppeck - July 06, 2019 at 04:45 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Darell "Big D" Espey.*



July 06, 2019 at 12:31 PM



“ Our thoughts & prayers are with the whole family. The Flowers Family



Desiree Flowers - July 06, 2019 at 12:10 PM

NH

You and entire family are in our thoughts and prayers as this sudden change effects everyone's lives. God can comfort all...just ask and look to him for guidance 🙏❤️🙏

Nancy and Russell Hutchinson - July 07, 2019 at 08:56 AM

VC

“ Our condolences to all the family. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Vicki Rohner Creager - July 06, 2019 at 11:32 AM

RE

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Royce and Terri Espey, Jr.

Royce Espey - July 06, 2019 at 10:07 AM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Darell "Big D" Espey.



July 06, 2019 at 09:54 AM



“ *Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Darell "Big D" Espey.*



July 06, 2019 at 09:24 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Darell "Big D" Espey.*



July 06, 2019 at 07:43 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Darell "Big D" Espey.*



July 06, 2019 at 05:41 AM



“ *Prayers for your family.
Stormy & Denise Lee*

Denise Lee - July 05, 2019 at 10:23 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Darell "Big D" Espey.*



July 05, 2019 at 08:33 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Darell "Big D" Espey.*




July 05, 2019 at 08:21 PM



“ *I just found out of Darryl's passing. I am devastated. He worked for me at Towers Transportation for several years. This Is a huge loss for anyone whoever spent a moment in his company. May he forever RIP and god wrap your arms around his family in this time of heartache.*

steve Towers - July 05, 2019 at 08:02 PM

TF

“ We have so many memories to share but not enough space. Darrel will be missed by many especially Calvin. Him and Darrel had this one going thing with their birthday you see they were born same day same year. One or the other would get me or Susan to set an alarm (right before midnite) so they could be the first to call for their birthday. We are going to miss you buddy. Susan you and the family will be in our thoughts and prayers for the days to come. Love ya'll  . Calvin and Trish Foster

Trish Foster - July 05, 2019 at 07:25 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Darell "Big D" Espey.



July 05, 2019 at 06:56 PM

GA

“ So sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you.

Gordon Anderson - July 05, 2019 at 06:27 PM

CA

“ I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Darryl. Please accept my sincerest condolences. Many prayers, hugs, and love are being sent to all of his family.

Carli Adams - July 05, 2019 at 06:18 PM

ST

I am so sorry for your loss. Remembering the family in prayer. Sr. Ameline theriot

Sr. Ameline theriot - July 10, 2019 at 09:48 AM