



## **Robert Hal Black**

*August 18, 1946 - December 21, 2017*

Robert Hal Black of Lucas, Texas passed away December 21, 2017, at the age of 71. He was born August 18, 1946, to Ralph Black and Stelleen (Baugh) Black in Sulphur Springs, Texas. Robert was the youngest of thirteen children. He married the girl next door, Patsy Ruth Divin on September 15, 1967, in Dallas, Texas. Robert served his country proudly in the United States Navy for four years. In 1970, Robert and Patsy moved to Lucas where he owned and operated Blackland Electric Service. He served as the building official for the City of Lucas during 1980-1990's and on the board of the Princeton Little League Association. Robert was a high school baseball umpire for the Collin County Chapter of the Southwest Officials Association now known as Texas Association of Sports Officials. His hobbies included fishing, deer hunting, rattlesnake hunting, snow skiing, horse racing and being a race horse owner. Robert enjoyed his time at the deer lease with Brian, Christopher and Keaton as well as attending their games and band concerts. He was very proud of his son Brian and daughter in law, Melinda. Robert always admired their parenting and blessings in life.

He is survived by his wife of fifty years, Patsy; son, Brian and his wife Melinda of Nevada, Texas; grandsons, Christopher Ryan Black and fiancé Haley Archibald and Keaton Ross Black; brothers, Charles of Grand Saline, David of Mabank, John J. and wife Doris also of Mabank, and Jimmy and wife Vicki of Forney; sister, Rosemary Cox and husband Bill of Quinlan.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents, brothers, Ralph, Jr., Wilbur, Bill, Don, and Gary Dale; and sisters, Geraldine Bain and Jane Kerby.

A funeral service will be held at 12:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 27, 2017 at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home in Allen, Texas. Interment is to follow at Fitzhugh-Forest Grove Cemetery in Forest Grove Community, Texas. The family will receive friends during a visitation on Tuesday evening from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

# Memorials

*Patsy, I am so sorry for your loss. What a match made in heaven. I know you will be strong. Love, Lydia*

LYDIA SULAK MURRISH, DECEMBER 29, 2017

*Love and prayers with our hugs dear Patsy and each of your family. May you feel the warmth and strength of prayers.*

JAN & JOHNNIE STONE, DECEMBER 26, 2017

*Patsy, I am so sorry for your loss. What a match made in heaven. I know you will be strong. Love, Lydia*

LYDIA SULAK MURRISH, DECEMBER 26, 2017

*I have the best childhood memories of Uncle Robert. He would tickle us until it hurt and constantly had us laughing until we cried. He was always a big kid at heart. God couldn't have blessed me and Elliana with a better Uncle. I've got many to choose from but he tops the list of worlds best Uncle! Our hearts are hurting with his passing for Aunt Patsy, Brian, and family. He will be missed by everyone that was lucky enough to have known him. But heaven is now lucky enough to have him and his humor. We love you! Amanda & Elliana*

AMANDA & ELLIANA PORTUGAL , DECEMBER 26, 2017

*We are so sorry for the loss! Robert was a friend and neighbor, always smiling and telling jokes! We will miss him! We will have the family in our prayers!  
Charlie and Pat*

CHARLIE AND PAT NIXON, DECEMBER 26, 2017

*Robert was a dear friend and fellow Lucas Loafer. Robert was the building inspector on my new home in 1984. God speed Robert. Dick and Martha Mansfield*

DICK MANSFIELD`, DECEMBER 25, 2017

*To this family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss and will be praying for you. I remember the Black family well. I am one of the family with "18" children that lived just up the road from the Blacks (the Vest family). Jane was in my class*

*and we all rode the bus together. May you all be comforted by our Lord Jesus Christ in these days ahead. God bless you.*

PATRICIA VEST FRAZE, DECEMBER 23, 2017

*RIP Robert! You are missed. Kenneth remembers one of the many times you helped us with electrical issues when you were changing a breaker box out without disconnecting power, at the pole. You were on the last step and were pulling a wire to let the power come back on, the wire hit a hot-spot, a ball of fire knocked you into the yard. Once we knew you were okay, Kenneth told your two workers, y'all have a good boss, he went to a lot of trouble to show you what not to do. You got up with smoking eyebrows and hair and said, "Yah, yah that is exactly what I was doing. Never work in a live box. Most would have to have been there to get the humor you and Kenneth shared. One of the funniest times I remember, besides Patsy's chain story at Johnny's wedding, was one of our trips to see our racehorse run. I was driving, you and Kenneth were in the back seat. The guy running next to us would pass me, then slowdown, then I would pass him. This went on for about ten miles when I passed him again, from the backseat, you went to wave at him and all you saw was him giving you the one finger salute. You said "damn Linda What did you do?" "I would tell him to stop so I could slap the shit out of him, but all I could see was one "BIG" hand covering his whole face." I laughed so hard it was difficult to see the road. But we made it to Oklahoma without further incident. Yes, you will be missed!! See you soon my friend!!*

KENNETH & LINDA CASEY, DECEMBER 23, 2017

*sad to hear of Robert's passing, our prayers go out to you and your family*

ROBERT LEHR, DECEMBER 23, 2017

*My deepest condolences to the family. May God strengthen and comfort you with his promise of the resurrection. Acts 24:15*

AMBER MICKA, DECEMBER 23, 2017

*I first met Robert about 15 years ago at the Lucas Store. He enjoyed talking about his family and scratching lotto tickets. He had a great sense of humor and was fun to be around. One funny thing I remember about Robert is he shot*

*a deer and had it in the trunk of his red mustang and wanted us all to come outside a see it. One of the Lucas Store loafers will be missed. RIP Robert.*

**LARRY CHAPMAN, DECEMBER 22, 2017**

*sending thoughts your way during this time. So very sorry for your loss*

**BECKY JONES, DECEMBER 22, 2017**

*Our deepest sympathy for your loss. Praying for you all.*

**VICKI & JOE MULLINS, DECEMBER 22, 2017**

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