



## David Edward Safford

May 12, 1941 - April 2, 2021

David Edward Safford, 79, passed on to Heaven's Glory on Good Friday, April 2, 2021 at his home in Spring, Texas. He was born May 12, 1941 in San Antonio, Texas.

David graduated from LaMarque High School in 1959 and began his lifelong career with Southwestern Bell. He retired in 1997 after 40 years of service. David was an Installer, District Union Steward and held several offices for the Telephone Company Pioneers. In 1984, he joined the volunteer group of Pioneers on a goodwill mission to Japan called "Santa Goes to the Orient" and was an outstanding Santa. The trip was great but also really gave him a taste of travel that would last the rest of his life.

David and his wife, Martha, started a travel agency in 1991 and over the next 30 years were blessed to travel thr world with so many awesome travelers who became great friends. He had a brilliant mind and recall. He could talk on most any subject, from Antarctica to Zambia, Aliens to Zoos, and nearly everything in between. He loves to cut a rug with his wife and desserts were his favorite part of any meal. He enjoyed sitting in his rocking chair and visiting with family and friends. David had a special gift of making any chair he sat in, rock.

David is preceded in death by his parents, Louis and Thelma Safford and two daughters, Karen Kay and Amy Lynn.

He is survived by his wife, Martha, sister; Darlene (John), brother-in-law; Larry Vanderveer (Donna), children; Tina Taylor and Julie Safford, Cindy Havens

(Rusty), Ronnie Davis (Julie), Rene' Hickman (Mark), nephew; Lee Nelson (Jeannie) and niece; Autumn Hurd (Steve). He was Papa David or PD to his grandchildren; Christopher Safford (Alyssa), Josh Krebs, David Donovan (Irasema), Kevin Donovan (Brittany), Justin Jackson (Brittany), Jonathan Havens, Stevee Snyder, Starla Davis, Crystal Kresta (Taylor), Josh Griffin (Katherine) and Shelby Waller. Most important were his GREAT grandchildren; Colin, Sydney, Danielle, Michelle, Kylee Kate, Xzavier, Haley, Joshua, David, Jr., Gracelynn, Cheyann, Lexee, Lillian and Riley, as well as many cousins, great nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that a memorial be sent to Spring Baptist Church – Bill Able Scholarship Fund. 633 East Louetta Road, Spring, Texas 77373 or Wounded Warriors Fund.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **10**. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Addison Funeral Home  
18630 Kuykendahl Road  
Spring, TX 77379  
(281) 350-0998  
addisonfh@yahoo.com  
<https://addisonfuneralhomes.com>

## Funeral Service

APR **10**. 11:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *David Edward Safford*

July 20, 2022 at 05:14 PM



“ *I have many many memories of my Dad. Weekends at "The Farm". I was about 15 and wanted to go to The Texas Jam. Peter Frampton was to be there. Dad came home during his lunch hour carrying the album "Peter Frampton Live. Very special. I love you Daddy.*

**Tina Taylor** - April 09, 2021 at 08:00 PM



“ *Dear Martha—Jan and I are saddened to hear of David's "graduation". We will miss him. We sure love and admire you. You are in our prayers! Rob and Jan Chappell*

**rob chappell** - April 09, 2021 at 07:13 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of David Edward Safford.*



April 09, 2021 at 11:50 AM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of David Edward Safford.*



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April 07, 2021 at 04:08 PM



“ *We will miss David and his gentle voice. He was a good traveling companion and kept Martha anchored. That was a big job. We send love and hugs to the family.*  
*Dub and Ruby Farmer*

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**Ruby Farmer** - April 07, 2021 at 04:00 PM



“ *David was a very special person. He was quiet, probably because he couldn't get a word in around Martha, but he was funny and thoughtful. He is with the Lord now and no more pain.*

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**Barbara Spann** - April 07, 2021 at 03:54 PM



“ *I am praying for the Safford family. David will be greatly missed. He has been healed. Praise God.*

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**Becky Otwell** - April 07, 2021 at 07:36 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of the passing of David Safford. I remember him being out at the farm with all of his beautiful daughters. He was always in a good mood and he loved his daughters.*

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**Glenn and Debbie Safford** - April 06, 2021 at 10:27 PM

SR

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers to everyone. Sandy Rogers

Sandy Rogers - April 06, 2021 at 05:48 PM

RW

“ We are so sorry for your loss. David was a very special gentleman and will be missed by all. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Safford family at this difficult time. RIP David!

Ray and Lou Ann Whitworth - April 06, 2021 at 04:35 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of David Edward Safford.



April 06, 2021 at 12:44 PM

EM

“ Sorry for your loss. A wonderful man he will be missed. Love and prayers for the family.

Eileen Thompson Mccready - April 06, 2021 at 10:10 AM

SW

“ So sorry to hear of David's passing. A very nice man indeed. He will be missed by all those who cared for him.

Stephen Whitworth - April 06, 2021 at 09:40 AM

RH

*So sorry to hear of David's passing. We have enjoyed so many trips with him. He will be truly missed. We will be praying for the family.*

*Robert and Shirley Holland*

**Robert and Shirley Holland** - April 06, 2021 at 05:56 PM

CD

*Jack would never go on a trip without David being there to saunter along at the end of the line of women rushing around to 'see it all'. He and David were there to be sure Martha's chicks were all in the nest each time! His earthly body may be wore out but his heart lives on in each of our memories.*

**Carole DeFord** - April 07, 2021 at 12:17 PM

JC

*We will miss David, He and James loved to talk "southwestern Bell" when they visited together. So sorry Martha. Still doesn't seem right that he isn't with us. Take care, you can call on us if needed.*

**james and eleanor chaffin** - April 07, 2021 at 05:40 PM

GP

*This gentle giant will be missed but his memory lives on to bless the lives of those who knew and loved him 🙏.*

**Gina Price** - April 09, 2021 at 08:55 AM

JW

*I loved David and miss him. He was like a rock -- strong, but tender, a quiet leader who was the foundation of his family. He was well-read and had a wide range of knowledge. He is one of the few people in my life for whom I had total respect. I always knew I could ask him any question and I would get a simple, straight, well-thought-out answer without trying to impress his opinion on me. He was always considerate and a gentleman. The world is much poorer without men like David. And our family is lucky to have has such a man in our lives. Jan Warner*

**Jan Warner** - April 12, 2021 at 10:22 AM