



## Darrell Throckmorton

April 8, 1928 - December 25, 2015

Mr. Darrell Delayne Throckmorton departed to be with our Lord on Friday, December 25, 2015. He was born on April 8, 1928 in Denmark, Arkansas. He is survived by his wife of 67 years, Gladys Greer Throckmorton along with his seven children: Lanny Delayne Throckmorton and wife Victoria, Deana Diane Throckmorton, Charles Rodney Throckmorton and his wife Diana, Jacqueline Renee Hogan and her husband Jerry, Stephanie Throckmorton Duty and her husband Howard, Darrell Scott Throckmorton and his wife Angelin and DeLayna Arlene Allen and her husband Rob. Darrell left behind thirteen grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Mr. Throckmorton is also survived by his sisters, Bernice Throckmorton Marshall of Little Rock and Wilma Throckmorton Mason of Velvet Ridge, along with many loving nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by three sisters, Naomi Montgomery, Oneida Roddie and Zola Shockley; three brothers, Gaylen, Tommy and Gerald Throckmorton, as well as his parents, mother, Edna Alred Throckmorton and father, Edward Throckmorton, both of Velvet Ridge. Darrell graduated from Bald Knob High School in 1948 where he played offense and defense on an undefeated BKHS football team! He attended UCA for two years. Mr. Throckmorton was a Korean War Veteran, having served in the Airforce in 1946-1947 and in the Army, 1950-1953. Darrell was an entrapenueral businessman and provided many jobs for the citizens of his community with his businesses throughout the years – D&D Welding, T&R Realty, Big D Construction Company... Hence his name to many, BIG "D".

Darrell was a founder and charter member of the Bald Knob Country Club. He was Construction Superintendent over the entire Northern Slope of the Trans Alaskan Pipeline in the 1970's & 80's. He also worked in countries around the globe, including Turkey, Costa Rica and Iraq. His expertise in the field of construction as it related to pipelines was legendary. He was well respected and always known to be a man of his word. His heart was huge for his family and his fellowman and he was indeed a Patriot. Mr. Throckmorton was also a 32nd Degree Mason and a Shriner and very compassionate to those in need. Darrell was a Christian and a member of Central Baptist Church in Bald Knob. From Velvet Ridge to the White House... Darrell had BIG dreams and many were fulfilled. He was always active in local and state politics as he encouraged his family and friends to be engaged in the political process – always an outstanding citizen – Darrell was a "man for all time" – a true gentleman.

He enjoyed tennis, boxing, golf, dominos, checkers and chess. He also enjoyed his family – he was a wonderful son, husband, father, brother, uncle and grandfather. His grandchildren have heard many of the tales of their Paw Paw's great adventures... as he was indeed one of the world's best story tellers!!! He taught his children and grandchildren to be strong; he also taught us that God, family and country should be in the correct order in our lives. Darrell always set an example as a great provider. He taught his family that if you need something, go out and work for it and you will have it! He always encouraged advanced education for all of his family. His example will remind us that we can be anything we want to be with desire, hard work and the Lord's blessings. He was an incredible man; his integrity and strength will inspire us to live up to his standards. We will all miss you every day and we will see you again.

Visitation is Friday from 5:30 until 7:30 pm at Powell Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Saturday at 11:00 am at Central Baptist Church in Bald Knob with interment to follow at Shady Grove Cemetery. Arrangements by Powell Funeral Home of Bald Knob. [www.powellfuneralhome.net](http://www.powellfuneralhome.net)



# Tribute Wall

DS

“ Darrell & Mrs Throckmorton graciously opened their doors to me in 1972, as a college friend of Charles. They were much like my family (7 kids vs 6) & I enjoyed getting to know each of them. I stayed with them so much, I was embarrassed at taking advantage of their hospitality, yet I was very comfortable w/ them.

*I dated the oldest daughter, Deana for several months and I have always had fond memories of her & the whole family.*

*Big D was an icon. A strong, outspoken & gregarious man who loved his family. He would compete with us, whether Russian squat dancing or collegiate cheerleading antics, & he held his own. The exceptional fun & laughter was a huge part of the time spent with him & his family.*

*He was honest & sincere, believing he would & could win at any contest. Though I did not know him in business, I feel that carried over. We all should know that's the Biggest part & take away from knowing him. Believing in oneself.*

*He instilled that in his children and all have benefited from it.*

*On Christmas Day, the Throckmorton family lost a big part. It won't be immediate and words, however kind, can't mend heartache, but those who care for you share your grief & wish you comfort and peace of mind.*

*DBShipman*

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Dicky shipman - May 04, 2016 at 03:13 PM

JF

“ Sorry for your loss. Praying for family

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Jo Ann (Barrentine) Fish - February 10, 2016 at 01:14 PM

NF

“ Loved Darrell right from the start. Great personality and fun to be around. Handsome man who always greeted you with his bright, warm smile. He loved his family as do I. My best to them. Thanks for the memories, my dear friend.

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**Nelda Ruth Fuller** - February 10, 2016 at 01:14 PM

TL

“ We are very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.

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**Tammy and Roger Long** - February 10, 2016 at 01:14 PM

BC

“ Stephanie - it has been many years old friend. I am very sorry for the loss of your Dad. He will always be with you in your heart and memories. GOD Bless you and your family at this sad time. Once married to Tina

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**Bill Carlisle** - February 10, 2016 at 01:14 PM

TD

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Gladys, and your family. We love you all. Tim and Barbara Duke b

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**Tim/ Barbara Duke** - February 10, 2016 at 01:14 PM

PW

“ *Mr Throckmorton, or "Big D" was the best boss that I have ever worked for. He treated all his workers like family. And that made you work hard for him. He was also a great friend and mentor. I wish I had a fraction of his knowledge. Darrell will be missed by family and Friends*

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**Phillip Wallace** - February 10, 2016 at 01:14 PM

DS

“ *Darrell Throckmorton*

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**Dicky shipman** - February 10, 2016 at 01:14 PM

LD

“ *The Throckmorton family and Blane Mason family were neighbors in the forties. We played, worked and went to school together. Zola was my age. Darrell's obituary was very interesting. Please accept my sincere sympathy on the loss of your loved one.*

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**Lyle & Bobbie Mason Davison** - February 10, 2016 at 01:14 PM

DM

“ *prayers for your familyIf2N2*

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**donna miller-stacy** - February 10, 2016 at 01:14 PM

SW

“ *Scott and Throckmorton family,  
I am so sorry for your loss. I had no idea that your father passed away. I was looking at Powell's website because my father's obituary is here, and I saw this. Nola's mom also passed away in Dec. Praying for your family.*

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**Sarah Brown Woodall** - February 10, 2016 at 01:14 PM