

## In Loving Memory of Paul Owens Parton

Paul Owens Parton was born on May 26, 1947, in Chickasha, Oklahoma, and passed away on Sunday, May 16, 2021, age 73, of natural causes at his home in Las Vegas, Nevada. Paul and Cornelia were married in Duncan, Oklahoma, on March 5, 1997. He is survived by his wife Cornelia Ann Beare, daughter Arianne Parton and husband Adam Trites of Italy; stepchildren Kory Aoyama his wife Janice of Plano, Texas; Robbie Evans of Denton, Texas; Kelly Aoyama and his wife Ruby of Las Vegas, Nevada; Tamianne Parker of Little Elm, Texas; Bruce Yarbrough and his wife Joanne of Rockwall, Texas; 22 grandchildren, and 19 greatgrandchildren.

Paul was preceded in death by his parents Lattie P. Parton and June G. Loughridge of Duncan, Oklahoma, son-in-law Bryan Eugene Evans, grandson Bryan Eugene Evans Jr. of Denton, Texas, nephews Paul Cantwell of Duncan, Oklahoma and Matt Cantwell of Broken Bow, Oklahoma. He grew up around cattle and horses, which fostered his love for rodeo and cattle work at an early age. He attended Duncan High School and earned money for college by doing artwork on rope cans and rodeo posters. He served in the United States Air Force in 1968. He attended Oklahoma University, Oklahoma State University, and Texas A&M with senior classes in Art, Sculpture, Illustration, and Business. He authored and illustrated his own book titled "Agony Airlines" in 1987, capturing the humor of the airline industry. He was a copyrighted artist illustrating six published books for other authors. He loved pen and ink, acrylics, sculpture in many different mediums, and serigraphy (silk-screen printing). Paul worked as a volunteer firefighter in Union Valley, Texas. A member of the Disturbance Response Team for the Rockwall County Sheriff's Department, and Dunbar Armored as an Air Courier escorting printed matter from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Fort Worth, Texas. He had an extended background in marketing and designing heavy equipment and capital expenditure goods throughout the U.S. and internationally.

Paul was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and devoted to serving members of his congregation. He and his wife were sealed in the Dallas Temple for time and all eternity in 1998.

Funeral services will be held on May 29, 2021, at Jones-Walker & Son Funeral Home 1209 Live Oak Street Commerce, Texas 75428. Viewing at 10:00 am with a celebration of his life at 11:00 am. Interment will be at Rosemound Cemetery, Commerce, Texas. Services will be broadcast via zoom; check the funeral home website for more details.