



## Herbert Wilson Craig

September 4, 1940 - March 2, 2023

Herbert Wilson Craig passed from this life on March 2, 2023. If you ever spent time with him, you were in for some long stories that he told very slowly. We will miss those stories.

Herb was born in the middle of a West Texas sandstorm on September 4, 1940 in Brownfield, Texas to Homer and Frances Craig. His early years were spent in West Texas. His family settled in Farmington, New Mexico when he was in third grade. He graduated from Farmington High School in 1958. Herb enjoyed playing basketball, baseball, trombone, and sang bass in the high school choir. While attending the University of New Mexico he spent summers surveying in the greater Southwest and later graduated with a degree in Civil Engineering.

One of the best decisions Herb ever made was to marry Barbara June Davenport. They celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary last month. Soon followed the births of their daughters, Leslie Danielle and Stefani Paige.

Herb began his civil engineering career at the Special Weapons Lab at Kirtland AFB, NM. In 1969 the Department of Defense took the family on an overseas adventure to Clark AFB, Philippines. After five years in the tropics they moved to blizzards and tornadoes in Omaha, Nebraska at Strategic Air Command Headquarters.

The next move was to the glittering lights and the dry hot desert in Las Vegas, Nevada where he worked at Nellis AFB, Range Group. He retired from the

Department of Energy in 1998. Everywhere they lived they had strong bonds with their church families. Herb will be remembered for his Christian faith and work in the Church.

Throughout his life he enjoyed golfing, family vacations, water skiing at Lake Mead, camping, playing Bridge, and singing barbershop. He started with New MexiChords, Vegas Lights Quartet, and most recently the Silver Statesmen in Las Vegas. He also participated in regional, national, and international competitions. However, his favorite times were always with his family. He was the best dad to his daughters, Pop-O to his granddaughters and to everyone else. He was known as a kind and generous friend and neighbor. He will be missed dearly.

Preceding him in death are his parents and his youngest daughter, Stefani. Surviving him are his wife, Barbara, daughter, Leslie Stubbs, and his grandchildren, Kylie and Kaylin Stubbs. Other family include: Pam and Sam Beard, South Lake, TX; Kent and Tresa Davenport, Montrose, CO; and their families. He had many cousins, special ones being Richard Brown and Carolyn Mason who were raised by his parents.

A Celebration of Life will be  
Monday, March 27, 2023  
Bright Angel Church of Christ, Las Vegas, NV  
at 4:30pm.

As Technology allows, we will be streaming this service live on FaceBook

# Tribute Wall

DM

“ Just found out 1st cousin Herb passed away. I hardly knew Herb sorry to say. He was 10 yr older and moved from Brownfield maybe before I was born. Just read his obit. I had no idea that he worked for DoD. I was close to his mom and dad mostly. Us cousins are all getting near our own end. Eddie be next prob. He is the oldest cousin. Kay has passed also. RIP cousin. I did like your politics!

---

**David McPherson** - November 18, 2024 at 12:27 PM

LS

“ I miss you so much Daddy. I'm so comforted to know you are with Stefani, but I'm not sure how to go on without you. I love you...more.Leslie

---

**Leslie Stubbs** - March 16, 2023 at 11:14 AM