



## E.W. Tucker

March 26, 2018

Elmer “E.W.” William Tucker, of Rockwall, TX, passed away March 26, 2018, at the age of 79. He was born October 25, 1938, in Coryell County, TX, to Elmer W. and Marie (Jones) Tucker. E.W. had a huge heart and was always willing to help everyone. A true best friend, he took great care of any and every one. E.W. was a prankster and loved telling jokes and stories (even if they weren’t true). He enjoyed fishing and loved his cars. A true adventurer, he loved traveling and enjoyed his last trip to Jerusalem. E.W. was a great man and a loving husband, father and grandfather and will be remembered always.

E.W. is survived by his sweetheart of 24 years: Mary J. Tucker; son: Steven C. Diaz and wife Leticia; grandchildren: Adrian C. Diaz, Nathaniel V. Diaz and Emilio A. Diaz; nephew: William Earl, Jeffrey John Wilson and Jason Wilson; and special friends: J.R. Wilson, Jake Allen and Dewayne Cain; along with a host of loving relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and parents-in-law, Daniel and Elva Aleman.

A celebration of E.W.’s life will be held 1:00pm Saturday, March 31, 2018, at Reflections at Rest Haven Funeral Home – Rockwall Location with Pastor Les Joslin officiating. Inurnment will follow at Rest Haven Memorial Park. A gathering for family and friends will be held at the funeral home prior to service beginning at 12:00pm. As an alternative to flowers, memorials in E.W.’s name can be made to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital at [www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org) or to EWTN Global Catholic Network at [www.ewtn.com](http://www.ewtn.com).

# Cemetery

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## Rest Haven Memorial Park

2500 State Highway 66  
East  
Rockwall, TX, 75087

# Events

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**MAR 31** **Gathering** 12:00PM - 01:00PM

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Reflections at Rest Haven Funeral Home - Rockwall  
Location  
2500 State Highway 66 East, Rockwall, TX, US, 75087

**MAR 31** **Celebration of Life** 01:00PM

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# Comments

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November 14, 2020 at 03:52 AM

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November 14, 2020 at 02:57 AM

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Jim B. purchased a sympathy card for the family of E.W. Tucker.



**Jim B.** - October 24, 2018 at 10:19 PM

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E.W. and I have been friends since 1976. We met when he was working as a representative for H.P.I. and I was just out of Pharmacy School. This is a man who would give you the "shirt off of his back." Over the last few years I would make a point of calling E.W. on his birthday, October 25th, to wish him a happy birthday and listen to some of his amusing tales and jokes. I feel greatly honored to have known this big guy. He would always say... "See ya on the other side if not sooner." If he can read posts from Facebook in heaven... back at ya brother.

**Jim Benham** - October 24, 2018 at 12:51 PM

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“ Roma Burnley lit a candle in memory of E.W. Tucker



**Roma Burnley** - April 04, 2018 at 09:05 PM



“ Oh how I miss seeing him with my sis Mary.

**Roma** - April 14, 2018 at 03:27 PM

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“ Brent Fox lit a candle in memory of E.W. Tucker



**Brent Fox** - March 31, 2018 at 06:32 PM

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“ EW and I go back to the third grade at Central Ward grade school in Denison, TX. He was my best friend all the way through high school. Yes, he loved motorized vehicles and it was a Cushman Eagle that he would ride out to where I lived to pick me up for football practice. One day, we hit a bump and both of us were air born. He would say that he thought both of us were not long for this world, but I held on to him all the way down. We separated after DHS, but got back together when I moved back to Dallas. I am glad our many phone conversations were not recorded, because they were a bit on the irreverent side. I kept my insurance with him until he retired because of friendship and not economics, but for the generosity that he gave to me while we were kids. I sure am going to miss having those crazy lunches and how to solve worldly problems.

David (Wright) Gibbs DHS '56 .

**David Gibbs** - March 30, 2018 at 07:43 PM

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“ I've always looked forward to seeing E.W. He was always friendly, happy and pleasant company - truly a special man. E.W. and Mary are two of my favorite and dear friends. Don and I will always treasure the special memories and trips we have made with them. It goes with out saying that with E.W. behind the wheel, there were good times and a lot of laughter and fun to be had. E.W. will truly be missed!

**Gerri Martin** - March 30, 2018 at 04:59 PM

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“ E.W. is one of the finest men I've ever known. He was my best friend and a true friend to many. I admired both his intelligence and wit, not to mention his gift of gab. The day we met, I knew I had met my match... we spoke the same language. His sense of humor had us laughing at, AND with each other year after year. My prayers are with him, Mary and their family. I will miss my buddy. May his soul rest in peace.

**Don Martin** - March 30, 2018 at 04:44 PM

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“ E.W. was one of a kind. I feel lucky to be counted as one of his friends! Too many good stories over the years. I will confess to being seen in Pancho's restaurant more than a few times. E.W. and I would make sure to cover our faces should anyone see us there!

He lived life to the fullest! He made a difference to all he met. He will be missed.

Mike Warren

**Mike Warren** - March 30, 2018 at 12:58 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



**Enfermo Diaz** - March 30, 2018 at 11:56 AM



“ The sweetest family. Love you all.

**Roma** - April 02, 2018 at 08:18 PM



“ He was a good man

Miss his Donald Duck sounds

**James Annette** - September 19, 2019 at 09:13 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss.  
Pam and Bobby Rayborn



**Pam Rayborn** - March 29, 2018 at 11:15 PM

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“ E.W. has been loved and in our hearts for over 40 years. We have so many good memories. He has always been a cherished friend to me, Godfather and Uncle to Jason and Jeff and best friend to Jess. We will miss him and his humor, strength and love.

**Judy Wilson** - March 29, 2018 at 07:21 PM

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“ E.W. - you are loved by many and your gift of laughter, kindness and gentle spirit will be remembered always! Your State Farm family sends our love and prayers to the family.  
- Brad Campbell

**Brad Campbell** - March 29, 2018 at 05:44 PM

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“ With sympathy and prayers.  
  
Patty Harwell and Bill Gibson

**Patty Harwell** - March 29, 2018 at 03:45 PM

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“ Linda Wages lit a candle in memory of E.W. Tucker



**Linda Wages** - March 29, 2018 at 03:07 PM

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“ They say a great man is one who leaves others at a loss after he is gone. E.W. was not only a great man, but a best friend for over 30 years. He kept us grounded, told us the reality as it was and remained by our side through our ups and downs. To say we will miss him would not be enough. The Angels in Heaven will truly enjoy his jokes, his laughter and his warm and caring soul. Our children will always remember his great Donald Duck impersonation and how it made them laugh, always asking him to "do it again" as well as his "quarter behind the ear" trick! E.W. will hold a special place in our hearts forever and always! Our thoughts and prayers are with Mary and his family. May they be comforted with a lifetime of precious memories.

Rest in peace, "E-DUB" ... All our love,  
Brad and Pattie Salter and family

**Pattie Salter** - March 29, 2018 at 02:24 PM

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“ EW, you will be greatly missed! Just thinking of you puts a smile on my face. My prayers are with Mary and his family. Janice said it best; he was a wonderful big teddy bear who would give everything he had and more to anyone who asked. Loved him.....

Sue Jordan

Sue Jordan - March 29, 2018 at 09:29 AM

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“ Testing and driving sports cars with E.W.



Jeff Wilson - March 29, 2018 at 02:32 AM

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“ Lunch with E.W. & Mary



Jeff Wilson - March 29, 2018 at 02:00 AM



“ Always happy.

Roma - April 04, 2018 at 09:04 PM

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“ E.W. at my wedding.



**Jeff Wilson** - March 29, 2018 at 01:55 AM

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“ It's hard to pick just one memory of E.W. because he was always there for me. His personality made every moment you spent with him seem like the best time of your life.

From my first day at college, to him giving an unexpected speech at my wedding; all the best moments of my life have included E.W. He was an amazing godfather and mentor.

One of my favorite memories of E.W. was a few years ago. He was visiting me in Austin and we went to a UT football game. We had a great time at the game. After the game, we jumped in a pedicab (cycle rickshaw) because we had parked about a mile away and his knee was bothering him. The rickshaw driver was female UT college student that weighed about 100 lbs. We were on a steep hill and it soon became very clear she couldn't pedal the pedicab with our combined weight. He made some of the funniest jokes (the types of jokes only E.W. could make), paid for the ride, and we walked the rest of the way laughing about the situation.

**Jeff Wilson** - March 29, 2018 at 12:53 AM

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“ With sympathy and prayers.

Patty Harwell and Bill Gibson

**Patty Harwell** - March 28, 2018 at 09:49 PM

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“ Daddy, I miss you. You helped me be the man I am today. Thank you for being there for me and giving me advice on how to man up and be a man. I hope I made you proud of me. I love you and we see you again,

Sincerely your son,  
Steven

**Enfermo Diaz** - March 28, 2018 at 08:38 PM

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“ Trisha (Thomas) Steele lit a candle in memory of E.W. Tucker



**Trisha (Thomas) Steele** - March 28, 2018 at 07:50 PM

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“ E.W. lived large in so many different ways. He had a hearty appetite for life; loved to travel, eat with friends at so many family run restaurants, was always in the market for a new car, and had a joke for every occasion. Even more than this, E.W. genuinely liked people. He made friends with people from every walk of life and was always ready with a smile and a story. Once he got to know you, he was fiercely loyal and caring. His Christmas parties were legendary and so genuine. From many conversations, I know he loved and cared so much for Mary and his family. He will be missed.

**Pat Warren** - March 28, 2018 at 07:47 PM

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“ E.W. was my first insurance agent when I joined my parent's policy in 1983/'84. He remained my agent until he retired, even attending my wedding in 1995. By the time he retired, I was married with two kids, owned a house, several cars and multiple insurance lines. Over the years he provided advice and recommendations on everything from life, school, career, marriage, business and family; and a joke or two along the way to make me laugh. I bought my first car ('78 Cutlass Calais) from E.W. in 1984/'85. It was cool that my first car was one of the cars that E.W. has had over the years because I know he has had 1,000's of cars; and he has had every car that I can think of. When I was in college, It was cool to come back to Dallas and go by his office to see what new car he had bought and have him take me for a test ride and lunch. E.W. was really cool, and he had the coolest insurance office. He created an atmosphere where you could drop in the office and it was like home. All the ladies in the office knew me as this skinny high school kid, then I was coming in with my kids. Then there were the holiday parties and the food, that was a tradition. I really missed the office after E.W. retired and was sadden when Susan called me yesterday morning. It was really tough calling my parents in Canada and breaking the news. E.W. was a great man and he will truly be missed. Prayers go out to Mary and the rest of the family.

**Keith V. Otto** - March 28, 2018 at 05:39 PM

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“ EW was more than my insurance agent since 1980, he became a friend and mentor. He always offered me a joke to make me laugh and a word of support when needed. I will miss his daily emails and miss his friendship. My prayers go out to Mary and his family. I know his faith was strong and that he is sharing his jokes with his heavenly family!  
Rest in peace my dear friend.

Donna Burley

**Donna Burley** - March 28, 2018 at 04:20 PM

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“ E.W. took me under his wing over 50 years ago when I first starting working for Reynolds and Reynolds company. I never flew away and glad I didn't. He loved me and I loved him. My heart goes out to you Mary and at Mass dedicated Rosary for E.W. and you- Romans 8:28. God bless, Bob Bailey.

**Bob Bailey** - March 28, 2018 at 04:14 PM

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“ The world lost a big old Teddy Bear. EW is one in a million and we will miss him. Our prayers go out to Mary and his family. We love you all.  
Janice & Don Whitwell

Janice Whitwell - March 28, 2018 at 02:55 PM

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“ Sending my prayers to the family of E.W. Tucker for comfort and peace.  
RIP dear friend: Romans 14:8 NIV  
If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord.

Jeanette - March 28, 2018 at 11:45 AM

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“ Mary. Please accept our sincere sympathy on the loss of your beloved EW.  
He is in Our Prayers & in Our thoughts as he was like a Brother to us.  
We all will miss him.  
We know that He is in heaven telling jokes to St. Peter.

We all share with you the sorrow for Your loss.

Your Florida Family.

Pat, Eleanor, Margaret Ann & All the Family

Pat & Your Florida Family - March 28, 2018 at 10:03 AM

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“ Please accept my most sincere sympathy and condolences on the loss of our dear friend, E.W. Tucker. My thoughts and prayers are with his family throughout this difficult time. I hope you all will be comforted during this time of grief.

Dr. Daniel E. Nixon - March 27, 2018 at 08:06 PM