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Lawrence "Larry" Burglass Hoffman, Jr., 66, passed away peacefully at his beloved farm in New Ulm, Texas, on Monday, November 10, 2025. Born in New Orleans on March 2, 1959, to Lawrence Burglass Hoffman, Sr. and Lynne Armstrong Hoffman, Larry spent his childhood living in various parts of the United States before his family eventually settled in Houston. He always held tight to his New Orleans roots, and the city remained a central part of who he was for the rest of his life.

Larry was a self-made man in every sense. He did not follow a traditional path through school, but he never stopped learning. He educated himself through experience, curiosity, and sheer determination. As a teenager, he developed a love for surveying, and what began as a job quickly became a lifelong calling. In 1994, he founded Tri-Tech Engineering, Surveying, & Planning with a small team and an enormous amount of grit. While many would point to Tri-Tech as his greatest accomplishment, those who knew him best would say that his family was, without question, his greatest pride and joy. He spent decades building the company and was eventually joined by his son Lance, who worked alongside him for many years. In recent years, he was profoundly proud to welcome his youngest son, Brennan, into the business as well. For

Larry, Tri-Tech was never just a company; it was a testament to hard work, loyalty, and relationships that meant everything to him.

Larry had a presence that filled every space he walked into. He had a way of turning strangers into friends within minutes. At Texans tailgates, in restaurants, on job sites, or while chatting with whoever happened to be nearby, he always came away knowing someone's story, and they came away feeling like they had known him for years. His light, his voice, and his presence were unlike anyone else: warm, mischievous, and impossible to forget.

He was endlessly curious and always adding new skills to his life. At fifty, he earned his pilot's license simply because he wanted to. Classic rock wasn't a phase for him; it was who he was, often blasting music at full volume throughout the house. He went through a pretty serious motorcycle phase along the way. He could fix or figure out anything he touched. He loved cars, knew an immense amount about firearms, and approached every interest with the same focused enthusiasm.

He was also an absurdly good cook, the kind of self-taught chef who could turn a backyard grill or a kitchen stove into a full event, often cooking meals for his entire family. In the latter half of his life, nearly all of his family lived within a few doors of one another, and Larry loved nothing more than feeding the people he loved. His home, and the homes of his siblings and parents who lived nearby, were filled with loud living, shared meals, and togetherness.

He was funny, sharp, stubborn, generous, and unforgettable. His personality filled every moment of his life, and people felt the force of it immediately. For every moment he ever felt unworthy or unsure, we can only hope he has now found peace. His voice, his presence, and his steady loyalty remain with all of us. To know Larry Hoffman was to be changed for the better.

Larry is survived by his four children, Lance Hoffman (wife Nicole), Jacqueline Stone (husband Damon), Lauren Hoffman, and Brennan Hoffman; by his six grandchildren, Caroline, Caelyn, and Bryce Hoffman, and Dylan, Danica, and Ruby Stone. He is also survived by his sisters, Lori Wilkins (husband Dale) and Lisa Riddle (husband Mike); his two former wives, Paula Galloway Drapela and Alisa Goetz Hoffman; and countless friends, family members, and coworkers who were shaped by his presence. He was preceded in death by his parents, Larry "H" and Lynne Hoffman.

Those who loved him know that the best way to honor Larry's life is to live with the same loyalty, boldness, humor, and wholeheartedness that defined him. His absence leaves a space that can never be filled, but his influence will be felt for generations.

A celebration of Larry's life will be held in the coming weeks, and the family will share details soon. The family asks that those who knew and loved Larry share their favorite memories, photos, or Larry-isms so that his light may continue to shine through the stories he left behind.

Previous Events

A Celebration of a Life Well Lived

DEC 1. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Goode Co. - Armadillo Palace
5015 Kirby Drive
Houston, TX 77098
<https://thearmadillopalace.com>

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Family and Friends of Larry Hoffman,
My name is Rudy Meneses, with SES Instruments & Field Supplies and I wanted to share some of my fond memories of Mr. Hoffman from my time at Surveyors Instrument Company in downtown Houston.
I remember seeing him at TSPS meetings; he was a gracious businessman who always shared his success with the vendors of that time. Every time I encountered him, he was fair and honest about his surveying needs and the vendors he worked with.
I believe Larry is now in Glory with our Lord Jesus Christ, and one day we will meet again. Until then, he will be dearly missed.
God bless Larry Hoffman's family and friends during this trying time.
Sincerely,
Rudy Meneses

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CELEBRATING OVER 25 YEARS OF SALES & SERVICE

Rudy Meneses - November 26, 2025 at 01:25 PM

MO

I love and miss you so much my friend. If you've ever had a friend like Larry, you know how he influenced you and so many others around you in ways that only a friend or sibling could.

He is on my mind every day and even in my dreams. It's surreal in a way I never imagined it would be. Larry was one of a kind as a friend, sibling, father and grandfather.

I saw so many old and new faces at his celebration of life ceremony and can only assure you he is with our lord almighty and is still with us in spirit daily forever, and looks over us with the leadership and love that only he seemed to have.

Thanks to all for being there and we plan on putting a ceremonial Benchmark at the Tri-Tech office by the Flagpole out front on his coming 67th Birthday this March. I would also like to put another on the Seawall in Galveston for him, as he had such a passion for fishing and boating in this area.

God Bless you Larry !

RIP

Love

Michael R. O'Dell

TX RPLS #4942

Michael Richard O'Dell - February 12 at 11:15 PM

SS

“*Cousin Larry B. had a true zest for life with a wonderful gift of hospitality. I cherish our memories at Clermont Harbor and 4040 Clermont Drive with Grandma and Grandpa H. It was always so fun when Uncle Larry, Aunt Lynne, Larry B. Lori and Lisa would come to visit us in NOLA. Then after we moved to Houston, we loved attending his Super Bowl parties. One of our last visits was when he came to our son's highschool graduation party in Katy. It was so wonderful spending time together and he always wanted me to drive Grandma H's old cadillac that she gifted him.*

Praying for strength and peace for Lance, Jacqueline, Lauren, Brennan, Lori, Lisa and the entire Hoffman Family. Love Y'all!

Sue Hoffman Smith - November 25, 2025 at 12:51 AM

BS

“ My brother Michael O’Dell speaks so highly of Larry. 22 years ago Larry and Mike were up in Hamburg NY for our wedding. First time I ever met Larry. Such a nice guy! Ended up paying for an extra hour of open bar and paid the ENTIRE bar bill. Who does that?? Such a special guy and a Real friend and mentor to my brother. He will be sadly missed but never forgotten. RIP and prayers to all of his family and friends. 🙏🙏🤔. I pray that all of these happy memories along with your memories are of some comfort to you all during this very difficult time 🙏🙏

Brenda Ryan (Mike O’Dells sister) - November 19, 2025 at 05:48 PM

MH

“ It was just Nov 5th you sent a picture to Rob and I in Nashville, you were driving home from work in Houston. We enjoyed the farm during our stay in Round Top and were so looking forward to visiting again soon during the spring show.. Rest in peace !!! Rob & Martha Henson

Martha Henson - November 18, 2025 at 02:32 PM

JB

“ Rest in peace, Larry. He was the only person I considered selling 15-30% of my aquarium company to. His passion for aquariums was evident, and he genuinely wanted to see my business thrive. I believe he had the same dedication to everyone he encountered. On the day he passed, I sent him an email update regarding our discussion about his interest in investing in my company. Larry was always inviting me to various events, whether private gatherings, work functions, or ranch visits. I will truly miss his playful jokes and laughter. It's hard to even express this because my hopes of having his support are now gone. It feels like the weight is all on me. Larry always saw more potential in business than I realized myself. Rest king!



Joshua Bob - November 18, 2025 at 12:10 PM



“ My Deepest Condolences to the Hoffman Family. I was heartbroken to hear this news. I first met Larry many years ago through my long-standing relationship with Dale and Lori. We had the privilege of collaborating on numerous projects for Tr-Tech, and through that work, Larry became a true friend who left an indelible mark on my life. I had the pleasure of meeting many members of the wonderful Hoffman family, including his parents, and I'll always cherish the great meals and enriching conversations we shared. Larry didn't just exist; he lived with purpose and paved many paths throughout his life journey. His unique grit and treasured personality impressed vital life lessons upon my heart. I will carry those reflections with me always.
It was a blessing to have known him, and he will be truly missed.

Roderick Hammonds - November 18, 2025 at 08:06 AM

MI

“ Dearest Hoffman Family,
My sincerest condolences to you and your entire family. I was lucky to spend time with Beth & Lance alongside Larry. He was full of life and laughter. His spirit was infectious and he will really be missed. Many prayers your way. Sincerely Mia Hinojosa - Miralles

Mia - November 17, 2025 at 01:18 PM

DP

“ My true condolences to the Hoffman family Larry will truly be missed by so many
May the good Lord bless Larry and all his family members.
Thoughts and Prayers for the entire family. Dion and Linda Pizzitola

Dion and Linda Pizzitola - November 17, 2025 at 12:15 PM

BR

“ Larry B. was a wonderful, humorous and crazy fun cousin! Grandpa H. nicked named him Beeswax and cousins named him Curly Top! Aunt Lynne and Uncle Larry called him Lah. Lah. Spent numerous summers and holidays at 6019 Portal Dive in Houston with the whole family. Larry B was 2 years older than me and we were very close growing up. I remember a time in Clermont Harbor and our job on occasions was to rake the pine needles off of the roof. Larry B said he'd be the supervisor! LOL
You'll be in my heart always❤️ RIP Cuz🙏🙏
Soo many fond memories I have with Larry B. Tears are rolling down my cheeks typing this.

Beth Hoffman Rebouche - November 15, 2025 at 05:46 PM

BR

Also in Clermont Harbor, Grandma H took us to the haunted house across the street for Halloween. Everyone was roped walking to the house. Grandma H and Larry B were the leaders. I could go on and on!☐

Beth Hoffman Rebouche - November 15, 2025 at 07:20 PM

CH

“ *Larry was like a brother to me. I can't believe he is gone. I will really miss him. RIP brother.*

Chuck Herring - November 15, 2025 at 01:14 PM

MH

“ *Larry is my cousin and although we've always lived in different cities growing up, I always felt well connected to Larry. Anytime I crossed paths with Larry, we were able to catch up after years of not seeing each other. His personality was always outgoing and dynamic and he was often the brightest bulb in any social setting. When I was stationed in Pensacola FL, I met up with Larry in Destin to go deep sea fishing. We had a blast!! On a different rendezvous, Larry was able to join my brothers and I along with my Dad (Larry's uncle) during an impromptu French Quarter night-out in NOLA! Larry was the center of attention as he often is and you could see how much he loved NOLA. I also recall his generosity as he gave money to many homeless people that night. Larry always emanated a positive aura! He was loved by many and will be missed! Family was paramount to Larry and I smile knowing he will join his parents, grandparents, uncles, etc. in the comforts of heaven! Undoubtedly, he will make a grand entrance!!*

Mark Hoffman - November 15, 2025 at 11:55 AM

RH

“ Larry B meant a lot to me. We shared some very special and meaningful times together. He was always so generous and would give the shirt off his back to anyone who needed it. I'm so proud of him and gonna miss him. Rest in Peace Larry B. Love you! ❤️



Rob Hoffman - November 15, 2025 at 11:27 AM

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Michael Richard O'Dell

5 minutes ago

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