



Darryl L. Emmert

September 20, 1950 - June 7, 2012

Darryl L. Emmert passed away peacefully on the morning of Thursday, the 7th of June 2012, while surrounded by friends and family. Darryl, 61, is survived by his daughter, Tiffany of Houston; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Emmert; sister, Judy Fowler and husband Jim; sister, Marsha Hensley and husband Jimmy; brother, Tim Emmert and wife Judy, all of Tulsa, Oklahoma; and his former wife, Leslie Emmert of Houston. Born in Tulsa on the 20th of September 1950, Darryl was a proud son of his native Oklahoma and there rose to athletic fame. His early promise was shown as he became one of the great football players of Nathan Hale High School in Tulsa. Thereafter with other famous friends and players, including linebacker Steve Aycock, quarterback Jack Mildren, and defensive end Vic Kearney, Darryl was a star linesman on leading national teams of the University of Oklahoma. His OU Sooners team played the famous “game of the century” for national championship standing against Kansas in 1971, a contest still celebrated annually on ESPN. Darryl had multi-faceted athletic gifts. In addition to football, he played catcher on the OU Varsity baseball team and was the Unlimited Weight Division Wrestling Champion of the State of Oklahoma. After graduating as a petroleum management major, Darryl received NFL pro offers but elected to enter the business world instead. He began by gaining invaluable experience working in the Rocky Mountain Division of Gulf Oil Company. Based out of Casper, Wyoming, Darryl gradually became a legend in the field working with land owners and oil crews throughout this rugged region. After outstanding professional achievement in the Rocky Mountains, Darryl was equipped to pursue his own independent entrepreneurial business life. He joined others to form Decca Energy, Inc. in Denver. As Decca’s President and a Director he helped lead a successful 5 million dollar public offering as an independent, and later merged Decca into another public company. Thereafter, Darryl moved to Houston where he pursued independent deal making as well as consultancy to and later service as Executive Vice President and Director of Golden Oil Company. In 2000, Darryl went on to pursue additional entrepreneurial opportunities as a Vice President and Director of Lattice Communications, Inc., a privately held company controlled by former principals of Woodbine Petroleum. Since 2005, Darryl also served as a consultant to various small companies in which McElvenny Interests has investments. Throughout his life Darryl created an increasingly wide circle of friends from

many walks of life. A man of great loyalty to his family and friends, Darryl was beloved for his humor, genial nature and spirit of adventure. Of greatest importance to him was his daughter Tiffany to whom Darryl devoted much of the last part of his life with unbounded love, tenderness, faith and hope for the future. His special and most positive emotional connection to his beloved family and friends will live on in our hearts. Friends are cordially invited to a visitation with the family from five o'clock in the afternoon until eight o'clock in the evening on Tuesday, the 12th of June, at Geo. H. Lewis & Sons, 1010 Bering Drive in Houston. A service in memory of Darryl and in celebration of his life is to be conducted at four o'clock in the afternoon on Wednesday, the 13th of June, in the Jasek Chapel of Geo. H. Lewis & Sons. Immediately following the service, family and friends will gather for a reception at Ciao Bello Restaurant, 5161 San Felipe Road in Houston. After an additional service in Tulsa, Darryl will be laid to rest in Oklahoma. Funeral service to be held 3:00 p.m., Saturday June 16, 2012 at the Floral Haven Funeral Home Chapel in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.

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