



Coach Dan Hart

November 30, 1931 - March 6, 2021

Funeral services for Coach Dan Hart, 89 of Houston, Texas are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 11, 2021 at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings with Brother Daryl Parsons officiating. Burial will follow in the Giddings City Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Thursday, March 11, 2021 from 7:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings.

Coach Dan Hart was born on November 30, 1931 in San Angelo, Texas to John and Myrtle (Echols) Hart. He graduated from Milby High School, attended the University of Houston, and received his master's degree from Rice University. During World War II, he served in the Coast Guard Reserves. On July 2, 1955, he was united in marriage to Betty Lee Parrish in Houston, Texas. Coach Dan was a member of the American Football Coaches Association and the Texas Taxpayers for Equal Appraisal. He enjoyed coaching football, fishing, hunting, traveling around the world, going to football games, and assisting people with their property taxes.

Coach Dan passed away the morning of Saturday, March 6, 2021 at his home in Houston.

He is preceded in death by his parents, John & Myrtle Hart; brother, Maurice Hart; three sisters, Bernice Wright, Anita Campbell, and Baby Ruth, as well as

a nephew, Darrell Musgrove.

Coach Dan is survived by his wife, Betty Hart of Houston; the 1200 yearly students of the Kinkaid School student body in Houston whom he considered his children; sister-in-law, Barbara Hudetts of Bryan; niece, Juliette Campbell of New York; two nephews, Mike Musgrove and his wife, Vickie of Ledbetter, and Johnny Musgrove and his wife, Joann of Ledbetter, as well as numerous cousins, extended family, and friends.

Pallbearers will be George Fountain, Billy Hardin, Mike Musgrove, Steve Gleaves, Mark Musgrove, Eric Kaposta, Jonavan Fountain, Johnny Musgrove, and Nathan Covey.

Memorials may be made to the American Football Coaches Foundation, 100 Legends Lane, Waco, Texas 76706, Giddings Church of Christ, 424 South Chambers, Giddings, Texas 78942 or to a charity of one's choice.

Cemetery Details

Giddings City Cemetery (Section C)

900 West Austin Street
Giddings, TX 78942

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 11. 7:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings
3950 East Austin St.
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Chapel Service

MAR 11. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Coach Dan Hart*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - March 09, 2021 at 05:11 PM

WS

“ *Sorry to hear of Coach Hart's passing. Wish I had been able to play three years for him instead of just one! He was an outstanding coach and man.*

Wayne Speer - March 19, 2021 at 03:04 PM

SA

“ *Thanks Coach for all my football memories - they started with you. I am probably the last of your players you'd guess got to play on 2 D1 National Championship football teams.*

Rest In Peace,

Steve Adger

Steve Adger - March 14, 2021 at 03:33 PM

DM

“ Dan was more than just a Coach. He helped shape young men’s lives. He was someone one could look up to and respect. Even though I last saw him my senior year in high school, I will always remember his lessons in life.

Dale Martin

Dale Martin - March 12, 2021 at 08:49 AM

AR

“ Dear Betty — there are so many memories of Dan (and you) from my years at Kinkaid. He actually taught my science class at the “ old School “ on Richmond. He was coaching the Falcons during my years in high school. It seems like you were both supporters and friends. My thoughts are with you. Adrian (Turner) Ross.

adrian ross - March 11, 2021 at 09:12 PM

DM

“ Dan coached me the whole time I was at Kinkaid. Fine man and fine coach. I loved his politics later in life. He was an advocate for what he believed in. He will be missed.....

Don McGuirt - March 11, 2021 at 08:07 PM

RJ

“ Great gym coach at Kinkaid for a lot of us. Loved to play handball too in the new Kinkaid gym. A great athlete all-round.

Robert L. Bradley Jr. - March 11, 2021 at 02:41 PM

SS

“ The memory of Coach Hart on the field and Betty in the bleachers is a familiar one to generations of Kinkaidians. Dan’s dedication early on in the 1950’s to fostering hard work and good sportsmanship among players was instrumental in building a fine athletic program at the school; and Betty’s support, not to mention her attendance at every single game, endeared her to players and parents alike.

Susan Santangelo

Susan Santangelo - March 11, 2021 at 01:04 PM

MW

“ Coach Hart was a strong-on-discipline man like his fellow coach, Jack Hanagriff . I’m sure that they both found coaching us rebellious baby-boomers a true challenge. Coach Hart was a sincere, dedicated coach. Besides PE, he coached me during my sophomore year on the Boys Basketball B-Team. That was a memorable year! I want to express my deepest condolences to Mrs. Hart and all their family. Rest in peace, Coach.

Malcolm Waddell - March 11, 2021 at 12:10 PM



“ Coach Hart was my coach at Kinkaid almost the entire 13 years I was there! He was the face of Falcon football from the middle school years on through High School. He was tough and demanding but fair in all respects.
He also brought a number of great Assistant Coaches in to work, , teach and push us. Remember Coach Chaney and Coach Merrel!
Coach Hart made us better!!
He will be missed !
Rick Horsey Class of ‘65..

Rick Horsey - March 11, 2021 at 12:00 PM

BT

“ My deepest condolences to the Hart family. I remember coach Hart vividly from my days at Kinkaid in the 1960's as manager of the Jr. High and Freshman football teams, and of course from PE class.

Buddy Trotter '67

Buddy Trotter - March 11, 2021 at 11:29 AM

LK

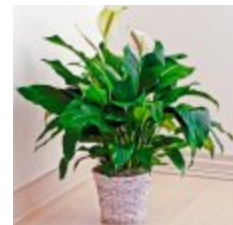
“ Coach Hart was one of a kind. Last saw him at a Kinkaid-St Johns football game. He was my high school football coach. He was a man's man. I was playing on the team in Austin-St. Stephens when he and some of his family were in a bad accident. Rest in peace, Coach.

#21-Larry Knapp

larry knapp - March 10, 2021 at 08:42 PM

WO

“ With Sympathy, John and Karen Osenbaugh purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Coach Dan Hart.



With Sympathy, John and Karen Osenbaugh - March 10, 2021 at 02:28 PM



“ 38 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - March 09, 2021 at 05:01 PM



“ *Betty Kay Hart purchased the European Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Coach Dan Hart.*



Betty Kay Hart - March 08, 2021 at 11:15 PM

JO

“ Coach & Betty took me under their wings back around 2004. They sponsored my attendance as a speaker at Houston area public education sessions and as an exhibitor at TX GOP conventions both in Houston & Dallas. We also traveled together to Austin for Comptroller meetings, TDLR takeover of "property tax professionals" (CAD "appraisers") licensing & some Senate committee hearings. Dan Hart was a genuine coach in the true meaning of one. He inspired me to do more in bringing about property tax reforms.

I continue the fight in his honor.

Sincerely,

John Osenbaugh

John C Osenbaugh - March 07, 2021 at 08:04 PM

JS

Coach Dan Hart gave me my first job while still working on graduating from Rice. Though I thought I knew so much, it didn't take long for me to learn, from Dan, that I was just a rookie and had very little knowledge of what he had entrusted me with. I was very lucky to get 2 1/2 years under his watchful eye. Too bad I didn't stay for much more, there was plenty he could have taught me. I regret not spending more time with him & Betty since I left Kinkaid in 1981. Rest in Peace, Coach.

John Stroman

John Stroman - March 10, 2021 at 04:14 PM

JR

Fond memories of Coach Hart. Jody Ruhl, Kinkaid Class of 58

Jody Ruhl - March 11, 2021 at 11:29 AM

RE

Among my great memories from Kinkaid, being one of Coach Hart's athletes, ranks at the top. I was mostly a bench-warmer among many much better athletes, but Coach Hart made my Dad proud of me when he told him that I was "the best cheerleader" for Kinkaid's team.

Rest in Peace, Coach - I'll keep on yelling for you.

Bob Everett '58

Robert Everett - March 11, 2021 at 12:17 PM

JB

Dan Hart was my coach 1955-1957 and I grew quite close to both Dan and Betty. I was sad to hear of his passing but I know he is in a better place. Penny and I wish to offer our thoughts and prayers.----- John Butler

John Butler - March 11, 2021 at 12:19 PM

JP

Dan and Betty were my good friends. We fished on Port Boliver together many times. Dan and I caught fish and Betty did the cooking. Dan was also a good football player at Rice Univ. and was a great coach at Kinkaid. He will be missed by all who knew him. Jim Parks

jim Parks - March 11, 2021 at 01:54 PM

HM

What an extraordinary man, coach, mentor, and amazing role model for young men. I know that there is nothing anyone can say or do to ease the Hart family's grief. Yet, I hope you will find some comfort from the fact that so many people are thinking of him and have such fond memories of Coach Hart.

Harris Masterson '75

Harris Masterson - March 11, 2021 at 01:57 PM

JP

I played for Dan several years in the late 1950s. He was a good coach and a good person. In reading about his life after my departure from Kinkaid, I'm happy for the good life he enjoyed.

john parks - March 11, 2021 at 08:35 PM

GN

Uncle Dan will be missed by so many friends and family . So sorry I could not be there at the service but it was too far for me to travel from Longview . Will miss him and talking to him . Your niece, Glenda Hart Nipper

glenda hart nipper - March 11, 2021 at 09:33 PM