



# John Davis "Mickey" Mark

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## **John Davis "Mickey" Mark**

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**J**ohn Davis Mark, known to his family and longtime Pearland friends as “Mickey” passed away Thursday, September 17, 2020. Born March 10, 1930 in Celeste, Texas to Jess L. and Grace O’Barr Mark, Mick was the youngest of 6 children. The Mark family moved to Pearland in 1940. Mick graduated from Pearland High School where he was an outstanding all-around athlete and salutatorian of his class. He is in the Pearland High School athletic hall of fame for both baseball and basketball. He attended the University of Houston where he continued to play baseball, but an injury ended his dream of a professional baseball career. In the summer of 1952, he graduated from U of H, married his high school sweetheart, Carleen Nichols, and was drafted in the Army. In the Army, he served in Korea as a court reporter on General Courts Martial. Upon discharge from the Army, he started work in the chemical manufacturing field with Petro-Tex Chemical Corp and progressed to Purchasing Manager. In 1977, Denka Japan bought a part of Petro-Tex. He went to work for the Japanese Company and in 1984, he was one of the Founders of Denka Chemical Corp. an employee owned company, which bought the plant from the Japanese. At Denka Chemical he was the Manager of Commercial Services and served on the Board of Directors up until his retirement in 1990. Mick and Carleen maintained their residence in Pearland throughout the years. Mick was an avid reader, history buff and sportsman. In 1957, after Pearland High School had dropped baseball, he started Pearland Youth Baseball with a \$100 donation from the Lion’s Club and donations from local merchants. The program started with 44 boys. He has been the president of the Pearland Historical Society since 1995 and wrote an 8-page Historical Newsletter which the more than 200 members looked forward to each quarter. Mickey is survived by Carleen Nichols Mark, his wife of 68 years and his sweetheart of 73 years; his sons, Kenneth Mark and wife Phyllis, and David Mark and wife Christel. Also by grandson Justin Mark and wife Stephanie, great grandsons,



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Blayne and Ethen Mark, granddaughters Chelie Nelson and husband Pete, great grandchildren Jack, Missy, Molly and Thomas Nelson and granddaughters Alison Peterson and husband, Nick and Lesley Pineda and husband, Ricardo. He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers, Jess Mark, Jr., Eugene Mark, Roy Mark; and sisters, Eleanor Ruth Mark and Dorothy Mark Givens.

A Memorial Service for Mark will be held Wednesday, September 23, 2020 at 3:00 pm at Clayton Funeral Home, 5530 W. Broadway, Pearland, Texas 77581 with Rev. Dr. Keith Whitaker officiating.



## Tribute Wall

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MC

**Marneynb1@Yahoo.Com** posted:

My husband and I didn't know Mickey very long. We bought the house across the street from him in July and moved in August. We enjoyed our talks with him when he would walk down the driveway to collect his mail. He was such a sweet man. He welcomed us back to Pearland as I had raised my children here. He was championing Pearland and the neighborhood even then, telling us what a good neighborhood we moved into. Prayers to the family for peace and strength during this time. Mary and Donnie Jemison

September 22 at 7:00 PM

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**Sue** posted:

I worked with Mr. Mark at Petrol Tex for many years. He was a great boss as well as a wonderful friend. He loved his family and was a friend to all

September 20 at 7:00 PM

YS

**Your Family At Wholesale Electric Store 72** posted:

Our hearts are saddened by your loss and our thoughts and prayers are with you.

September 20 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Our deepest sympathies and condolences.

September 19 at 7:00 PM

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**Carol Hunter Reardon** posted:

Our condolences to Carleen and to all of the family and friends of Mickey Mark. While Mickey's 24 years being President of the Pearland Historical Newsletter, he did a great job of putting together stories that members of the Pearland Historical Society provided to Mickey about the history and families of Pearland. I thoroughly enjoyed reading the stories of Pearland. Mickey did a great job of getting the luncheon together very year in October. My last visit to the Pearland luncheon was in 2015 when Tom's 50th class reunion was honored. I enjoyed seeing Mickey again and seeing family and friends of Pearland. Mickey was truly a great person and he will be greatly missed. May you Rest In Peace and may God bless your soul.

September 19 at 7:00 PM



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**Tom Hunter** posted:

Condolences to Carleen and all of Mickey Mark's family and friends. When little league baseball started in Pearland in 1957, I played for Mickey's team, the Braves. I corresponded with him over the years and submitted stories for the Pearland Historical Society Newsletter. I always looked forward to seeing him at the annual historical society reunion luncheon. He was an encouraging coach, an accommodating editor, and a good friend. May God bless his soul.

September 18 at 7:00 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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