



Neil Strauss

October 20, 1942 - October 8, 2021

Neil Burton Strauss of Houston, Texas, passed away on October 8, 2021 just shy of his 79th birthday. Strauss was born October 20, 1942 in Brooklyn, New York, but was raised in Houston, a city he loved, and one that made his life fulfilling and adventurous. The son of Sidney and Shirley Strauss, Neil attended Bellaire High School and The University of Texas at Austin, and he served in the U.S. Army. Neil took great pride in working in his fathers' business, Tarrant Distributors. He learned considerably from his father and when Sidney retired, Neil took over the business and led the company until his own retirement. He loved traveling, boating, cars, and all Houston professional sports teams. Neil and his family contributed to many Houston organizations, including Congregation Beth Israel, serving on the UT Health Development Board, hosting political fundraisers, and participating in the 7th of April Wine Club. Neil is survived by his children, Lauren Strauss, Adam and Leslie Strauss and his grandchildren, Wyatt, Alexis and Ladin; and his brother, Richard Strauss. A private family graveside service will be held and there will be a memorial service at a later date. In lieu of flowers, those wishing to honor Neil's memory may make contributions to Jewish Family Services of Houston, 4131 S. Braeswood Blvd., Houston, TX 77025 or to a charity of your choice.

Tribute Wall

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“ Neil was one of the nicest people I've ever known. His memory will always be a blessing. Peace, Prayers and Blessings,

David Wolf and Family - June 06, 2022 at 12:43 AM

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David Wolf - June 05, 2022 at 03:56 PM

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“ I'm sorry to hear of the passing of Neil. His presence will be missed. He was a very dear friend of my late husband Lester Smith. They shared many a joke and friendly bantering at their daily breakfast at the Houstonian after their workouts. We also enjoyed having him at our Passover Seder many times. This photo shows some of the fun they had. May you rest in peace Neil.

Sue Smith - October 13, 2021 at 11:49 AM

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“ Happy times.

Sue Smith - October 13, 2021 at 11:41 AM

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“ Lauren and Adam, you had a great father, and I was so proud to work for him. I thought of him very often. My condolences. Sam
Campion

Sam Campion - October 13, 2021 at 08:43 AM

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“ *Lauren and Adam Sherry and I send our love to you both for the loss of your father. I have so many great memories of working with your dad and the many beautiful trips we all took over the years. Please send our love to your children as their grandfather helped so many and was loved by all. God Bless from Sam Sherry and our daughter Kim*

Sam Clark - October 11, 2021 at 09:46 AM

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“ *Neil always had a giant smile on his face and seat to sit at his table for breakfast at the club. Neil will be dearly missed. Love always, Tori and Michael Hawash* 🍷

Tori Hawash - October 10, 2021 at 07:42 PM