

JOE L. ABNEY

Abney, 80, of Edmond, Oklahoma, died May 18, 2022. He received his law degree from South Texas College of Law and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1974.

Abney was a partner in Friloux, Smith, Woolf, and Abney in Houston from 1974 to 1979; a partner in Smith and Abney in Houston from 1980 to 1987; and owner and partner in Joe L. Abney P.C. in Houston from 1987 to 1995. He was a member of the Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, International and the Oklahoma Anthropology Society. Abney is remembered as an avid gardener, a voracious reader and book collector, and historian. Abney is survived by his wife of 59 years, Paula Abney; daughter, Lisa Abney; brother, Raymond Abney; and sister, Joy Crouch.

DAVID BRYCE ROSEN

Rosen, 78, of Mesquite, died May 11, 2022. He received his law degree from St. Mary's University School of Law and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1971.

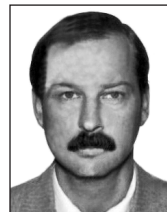
Rosen served in the U.S. Army from September 6, 1965, to June 5, 1968, and was a captain in the Medical Services Corps. He was a law clerk with Arthur A. Domangue & Associates in San Antonio from February 1969 to July 1971; an attorney with Diamond, Leviton, Goodner, Winkle, Wells and Harrison from December 1971 to March 1972; a prosecutor for the city of Dallas from March 1972 to September 1972; an attorney with the Ordinance Section from September 1972 to January 1973; a legal adviser for the city of Dallas police from January 1973 to June 1979; city of Dallas chief prosecutor from June 1979 to October 1982; an attorney with the Law Offices of David B. Rosen in Dallas from January 1983 to April 1984 and again from January 1987 to March 1988; an attorney with the Law Offices of Marc H. Richman in Dallas from April 1984 to January 1987; and a judge with the city of Mesquite Municipal Court from March 14, 1988, to March 31,

2010. Rosen was chair of the Mesquite Credit Union Board of Directors, a member of the John L. DeGrazier Masonic Lodge, and a past president of the Mesquite Bar Association. He is remembered as a kind, passionate, and understanding individual always ready to help someone in need. Rosen is survived by his wife of 47 years, Cheryl Goldman Rosen; son, Jason Ray Rosen; daughter, Heather Sarah Rosen; and sister, Jo An Rosen.

DAVID WALTER NELSON

Nelson, 77, of Austin, died November 8, 2022. He received his law degree from the University of Texas School of Law and was admitted to the Texas

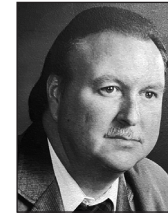
Bar in 1970. Nelson was an associate of McGinnis, Lochridge and Kilgore in Austin from 1971 to 1979; managing partner in Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld in Austin from 1979 to 2003; and a partner in Gross & Nelson in Austin from 2003 to 2022. He is remembered as a champion tennis player, having won the University Interscholastic League State Boys Tennis Tournament Championship in 4A doubles with his partner in 1963 and being a member of the University of Texas tennis team that won the Southwest Conference Championship in 1967; and being a member of the Texas Cowboys and Sigma Chi fraternity at the University of Texas. Nelson is survived by his wife of 29 years, Jennifer Nelson; sons, David Allen Nelson and Luke Nelson; daughters, Lindsay Nelson and Lesley Nelson; and brothers, Dr. John Nelson and attorney Daniel Nelson.

CHARLIE V. GAMBLIN

Gamblin, 73, of Brownwood, died December 26, 2022. He received his law degree from St. Mary's University School of Law and was admitted

to the Texas Bar in 1978. Gamblin served in the U.S. Marine Corps 1st Marine Expeditionary Force in Vietnam. He opened his private law practice in Brownwood in 1978. Gamblin is remembered for his

love of travel around the United States and abroad with his wife, Ginger; being a problem-solver who could fix anything; and loving farming, ranching, and the great outdoors. He is survived by his wife of 36 years, Ginger Gamblin, and two brothers.

HUGH EDWIN O'FIEL

O'Fiel, 76, of Beaumont, died January 19, 2023. He received his law degree from Baylor Law School and was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1969. O'Fiel served in the U.S.

Army from 1969 to 1970. He practiced law for two years with his father, Hubert O'Fiel, until opening his own practice, where he remained until his retirement at the age of 65. O'Fiel is survived by his wife, Karla O'Fiel; sons, attorney Patrick O'Fiel and Matthew O'Fiel; daughter, Linda Sue Otken; sister, Alex Stevens; and three grandchildren.

TIMOTHY LYNN BROWN

Brown, 83, of Austin, died December 30, 2022. He received his law degree from the University of Texas School of Law and was admitted to the Texas Bar

in 1966. Brown was an attorney with the Texas Water Rights Commission in 1966; head of the Environmental Division of the Office of the Texas Attorney General; and was in private practice, focused on water law, from 1982 to 2019. He was recognized with honorary lifetime membership by the Texas Water Conservation Association; active in the State Bar of Texas Environmental and Natural Resources Law Section, including a term as chair; and helped lead a multi-state annual legal seminar in Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the law of the Rio Grande. Brown is remembered for his love of classical music and opera; history, boats, trains, and classic cars, especially Jaguars; and attending soccer games, school plays, football games, choir concerts, and dance recitals of his grandchildren. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Pat Brown; sons, James M. Brown, Michael G. Brown, and Eric S. Brown; brother, Thomas Guy Brown; and four grandchildren. **TBJ**