



Bryant Keith Owens

June 2, 1959 - April 26, 2026

Bryant Keith Owens, lovingly known as “B” and “Sugar Bear,” passed away peacefully of natural causes on April 26, 2026, at the age of 66. Bryant was born on June 2, 1959, and spent his entire life in Denver and Aurora, Colorado, the communities he proudly called home.

Bryant was preceded in death by his father, Henry Lee Owens; his mother, Maxine Owens; his sister, Cecilia “Cece” Owens; and his brother, Gerome Owens.

He leaves behind his brothers Robert Sr., Virgil, Delbert, and Vernon, along with many nephews, nieces, lifelong friends, and extended loved ones who were family in every sense of the word.

Bryant had a larger-than-life presence and a heart even bigger than Texas. To those who knew him best, he was strong-willed, intensely focused, protective, and unforgettable. Beneath his tough exterior was a man who deeply loved his family, treasured time together, and enjoyed life’s simple joys.

A true sports lover, Bryant especially loved football. He could spend all day playing catch or touch football if given the chance. Those who played with him knew he could throw a perfect 35-yard spiral with the best of quarterbacks — just ask Edmond Brown, Maurice Rice, or Ritchie Reese.

Sugar Bear also had a playful side that family and friends will always remember. If there was birthday cake or a plate of food left unattended too long at a family gathering, Bryant was sure to “attack” it with a smile. He loved family outings, nature, and carried a fearless spirit that even earned him a reputation as a bit of a snake charmer.

Bryant’s memory will live on through the laughter, stories, love, and strength he shared with everyone fortunate enough to know him. He will be deeply missed and forever remembered.

SPECIAL NOTE: The theme of Bryant’s service will be sports. Please ask attendees to wear their favorite sports apparel. Go Broncos!

Previous Events

Memorial

MAY 30. 12:00 PM (MT)

Ballard Family Mortuary, LLC
6700 Smith Rd
Denver, CO 80207
(303) 963-5779

Tribute Wall

SH

“ *To the entire Owen's family
My deepest and most heartfelt condolences at this time of
your loss 😭
I turn to the scriptures found in Isiah 33:24; and Revelations 21:3& 4
My arms are around you keeping you in my heart and prayers lu
you all 💔💔💔*

Saundra Hurst - May 26 at 11:18 PM

DS

“ *You will be missed Uncle Bryant, I love you and I have always
enjoyed your company. Until next time, Uncle Bryant.*

Your nephew,

-Duane

Delbert Smith-Owens - May 23 at 12:41 AM

EB

“ *Prayers and condolences to the Owens'. May Bryant RIH.*

Edmond Brown - May 12 at 05:12 PM