

# Obituary

David Brian Brazil was born July 15, 1964, in Pasadena, Texas, to Charlie and Mary Lue Brazil. Brian was the youngest of three children. Brian surrendered his life to Jesus Christ as an 8-year-old boy, which began a lifetime of committed service to Christ.

Brian graduated from Sam Rayburn High School in Pasadena and went on to play football at Texas Christian University under legendary Coach Jim Wacker, where he earned All Southwest Conference honors. While at TCU, he served as TCU Fellowship of Christian Athletes vice president and met the love of his life, Birdie Mellado. Upon graduation from TCU, he had a brief stint with the Houston Oilers as a free agent where he concluded his playing career.

Coach Brazil began his coaching career in 1988 at Shepton High School in Plano, Texas, where he coached 9<sup>th</sup> grade football and basketball. In 1989 Coach Brazil moved to R.L. Turner High School in Carrollton, Texas, where he coached defensive ends and later the offensive line. He married Birdie in June of 1989. Then in 1992, he began a seven-year run at Lewisville (Texas) High School, coaching under Head Coach Ronnie Gage. Brian coached the defensive line from 1992 to 1995 and assumed the role of Defensive Coordinator in 1996. While at Lewisville, the Farmers qualified for postseason play each year and won two state championships (1993 and 1996). While at Lewisville HS, Brian and Birdie welcomed their three children, Danielle, Gabrielle and David.

In 1999 Coach Brazil was selected to be the first Head Coach at the new Lewisville ISD school, Hebron High School. Hebron began varsity play in 2000, and the Hawks made the playoffs for the first time in 2002. Hebron won the Class 4A Division II State Championship in 2005 with a 16-0 record. While at Hebron, the Hawks won five district championships, and Coach Brazil was named District Coach of the Year six times and State Coach of the Year in 2005. In 2014 he was the recipient of the Tom Landry Award from the Texas High School Coaches Association Board of Directors "in recognition of service and contributions to high school coaching." In 2016 Brian received the Dallas Area Tom Landry Coach of the Year Award.

Coach Brazil served on the Texas High School Coaches Association Board of Directors from 2007 to 2010 and served as the THSCA President in 2011-2012. In May of 2022, Coach Brazil accepted the call from Prestonwood Christian Academy to become the Senior Athletic Director and retired from his public-school career. He was excited to begin this new chapter and immediately fell in love with his new calling. Most recently, Coach Brazil was inducted into the THSCA Hall of Honor in July 2022.

Coach Brazil was actively involved at Prestonwood Baptist Church where he served as a deacon and Student Ministry Bible study teacher. He enjoyed traveling and recently developed a love for disc golf. His great passions were his Lord Jesus Christ, his family and being Pops to Logan Maxine and Maverick Brian Mitchem.

Brian is survived by his loving wife of 34 years, Birdie Brazil; children, Danielle Mitchem and her husband, Tyler; Gabby Brazil; and David Brazil and his wife, Lexie; grandchildren, Logan Maxine and Maverick Brian Mitchem; father, Charlie Brazil; siblings, Donna Jackson and her husband, Jeff; and John Brazil and his wife, Laura; as well as many loving nieces, nephews and friends. He was preceded in death by his mother, Mary Lue Brazil.

In lieu of flowers, please make contributions in Brian's name to TCU FCA, helping to change the lives of student athletes and coaches on TCU's campus at [tcufca.org/donate](http://tcufca.org/donate), or Coaches Outreach, which exists to impact communities through the Christ-like leadership of coaches transformed by Biblical truth.



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## CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF



### DAVID BRIAN BRAZIL JULY 15, 1964 – JULY 5, 2023

*For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. —Philippians 1:21*



MONDAY, JULY 10, 2023  
11:00 AM  
WORSHIP CENTER  
PRESTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

**“Shout to the Lord”**

*By Darlene Zschech*

My Jesus, my Saviour,  
Lord, there is none like You.  
All of my days I want to praise  
The wonders of Your mighty love.  
My comfort, my shelter,  
Tower of refuge and strength,  
Let every breath – all that I am  
Never cease to worship You!

*Chorus*

Shout to the Lord  
All the earth let us sing,  
Power and majesty  
Praise to the King!  
Mountains bow down  
And the seas will roar  
At the sound of Your name!  
I sing for joy  
At the work of Your hands.  
Forever I'll love You,  
Forever I'll stand.  
Nothing compares to the promise  
I have in You!

*I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day – and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing. —2 Timothy 4:7–8*

# *Order of Service*



**Prelude**

*Johann Acuña*

**Welcome & Prayer**

*Dr. Jack Graham*

**“Shout To The Lord”**

*Congregational Led by Rick Briscoe*

**Tributes**

*Al Campo  
John Brazil*

**“I Bowed On My Knees And Cried Holy”**

*Rick Briscoe*

**Tributes**

*David Brazil  
Hall of Fame Video*

**“It Is Well With My Soul”**

*Congregational Led by Rick Briscoe*

**Message**

*Dr. Jonathan Teague*

**Prayer**

*Rev. Neal Jeffrey*

**Recessional**

*Johann Acuña*