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Allen Linn Williamson, 47, of Runaway Bay, passed away Saturday, May 14, 2022, in Decatur.

Memorial Service will be held 10:30 a.m. Thursday, May 19, at First Baptist Church Decatur. Family will receive friends 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Hawkins Funeral Home in Bridgeport.

Allen was born Oct. 30, 1974, in Hobbs, N.M., to Dan and Elizabeth Williamson. He graduated from Hobbs High School in 1993, where he was elected state student body president. Allen met Mendee Gunn in second grade in Hobbs. They started dating their senior year of high school, and married in 1995 in Hobbs. Allen received a Bachelor of Arts degree in speech communication from Texas A&M University in 1996. Allen later received his Doctor of Jurisprudence degree from Texas Wesleyan University (now Texas A&M School of Law) in 1999, where he served on law review.

Allen was a founding partner in the law firm of Boyd Powers & Williamson, with offices in Decatur, Fort Worth and New Mexico. Allen was a litigator, practicing law for 22 years, licensed in Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma. Allen zealously represented clients all across Texas and the United States, handling both civil and criminal cases, and representing both plaintiffs and defendants. Although Board Certified in Criminal Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization and the National Board of Trial Advocacy, Allen recently focused his trial practice on civil cases, with an emphasis on complex commercial and personal injury and wrongful death litigation. Allen was a highly skilled trial attorney who had a unique gift of effectively and passionately communicating his client's position, yet always treating both co-counsel and opposing counsel with the utmost respect and courtesy.

Before founding Boyd Powers & Williamson, Allen was the First Assistant District Attorney for the 271st Judicial District Court, covering Wise and Jack Counties. Allen was recognized by Thompson Reuters on the Texas Super Lawyers list from 2013 to the present, and prior to that was on the Texas Super Lawyers Rising Stars list from 2011 to 2013. Allen was a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates, and was serving as President- Elect of the Fort Worth Chapter of ABOTA. Allen previously served on both the Pattern Jury Charge Committee and the Professionalism Committee of the State Bar of Texas.

Allen was also dedicated to serving his community. He served on the Wise Health Foundation and other community groups. Allen was also elected and diligently served as the Republican Chairman of Wise County from 2008 to 2018. Allen was a faithful member of Grace Fellowship. He was a passionate Christian, a devoted husband, a loving father, and a true friend to countless people. Allen possessed an infectious personality, demonstrating a sense of genuine connection and fellowship with everyone with whom he came in contact. If you met Allen, you met a friend for life, and Allen always made time to visit with and care for his friends. He was loved and respected by a multitude of people. His smile and warm heart always made you feel special, and his boisterous sense of humor and ability to share one funny story after another was unmatched.

Survivors include his wife, Mendee Williamson of Runaway Bay; children, Jessica, Amber and Aaron Williamson of Runaway Bay; mother, Elizabeth Williamson of Runaway Bay; and brother, Russ Williamson and his husband, Shawn McCalister, of Dallas. Allen was preceded in death by his father, Dan Williamson.

The family suggests that, if so desired, memorials be made to Grace Fellowship, 2964 W. Texas 114, Paradise, Texas 76073; or any charity of the donor's choice.

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