Dale Q. Kirby

September 5, 1937 - September 1, 2021

Dale Quinton Kirby, age 83, passed away on Tuesday, September 1, 2021 at Solara Specialty Hospital in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma. Dale was born on September 5, 1937 in Colcord, Oklahoma to Cecil and Jewell (Potter) Kirby. He graduated from Jay High School in 1956.

Dale married the love of his life, Anna Belle Epperson on June 12, 1959. Dale and Anna Belle spent many happy times together. They enjoyed taking trips to such destinations as Branson, Missouri, Tunica, Mississippi, and Nashville, Tennessee. They even went on a couple of cruises. They loved having kids around, Dale was a big kid himself, and they were known to load up their son and his buddies for trips to Branson.

His son, Kevin, was his best friend throughout good times and trying times. Dale was a dedicated and ever-present father. They shared an endearing love and respect for each other.

The first time he laid eyes on his granddaughter, Nettie, he proudly proclaimed, “Boy! Ain’t she a dandy!” From then on, he called her “Dandy.” She was the light of his life and his pride and joy. He delighted in her every accomplishment. Without hesitation, he even proudly changed his affiliation from Sooner to Cowboy (Go Pokes!) because his Dandy is an Oklahoma State University student.

Dale spent the majority of his life in Grove. He worked many types of jobs, including helping his parents on the family farm, picking peaches in Colorado, wheat harvest in Kansas, maintenance in a cement plant in Tulsa, Delaware County road maintenance and bulldozing independently. Grand Lake Pawn would be the business that brought him the most satisfaction as it was the collaborative family effort of himself, his wife and his son. Together they made Grand Lake Pawn a respected and successful business. Dale continued to be a daily fixture at the shop until late July, when he became ill.

For fun, Dale enjoyed hunting and fishing with family and friends. He was an avid bowler and tried his luck at a variety of casinos. He spun many a lively tale of his endeavors. He was a colorful, charismatic and well-liked man.

Dale was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Anna Belle and two brothers, Charles and James Kirby.
Left to cherish his memory, his son, Kevin Kirby and wife, Jackie of Grove; granddaughter Danette (Nettie) Kirby of Stillwater; brother Robert Kirby and wife, Wanda of Broken Arrow; along with a host of nieces and nephews, a large extended family and many friends.

There will be a Celebration of Life at Nichols-Stephens Funeral Chapel in Grove at 1pm, Saturday, September 18, 2021, with Reverend Kent Hendren officiating. The family will receive friends and family in the Reception Room following the service, with refreshments.

Arrangements entrusted to Nichols-Stephens Funeral and Cremation Services, 10201 US Hwy 59, Grove, OK 74344

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP **18**. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

Nichols Funeral & Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of Dale Q. Kirby

Nichols-Stephens Funeral & Cremation Services - September 17, 2021 at 02:56 PM

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October 04, 2023 at 03:23 PM

MK

Michael & Brenda Kirby purchased the Classic S ympathy Dish Garden for the family of Dale Q. Kirby.

Michael & Brenda Kirby - September 16, 2021 at 11:35 PM

GK

Uncle Dale was a wonderful uncle and always a hoot to be around

Greg Kirby - September 08, 2021 at 11:04 AM

RJ

He was such a nice man. I am so saddened. You guys are in my prayers

Rick jackson - September 04, 2021 at 01:13 AM

JK

22 files added to the tribute wall

Jackie Kirby - September 03, 2021 at 03:10 PM

White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Dale Q. Kirby.

September 02, 2021 at 05:17 PM