



Tommy D. Jarvis

October 2, 1951 - April 8, 2019

Tommy D. Jarvis, age 67 of Afton, OK passed away on Monday, April 8, 2019 at OU Medical Center in Oklahoma City, OK after a long battle with cancer. Tommy was born on October 2, 1951 to Norman and Geneva (Jones) Jarvis in Miami, OK. He grew up in Afton and graduated from Afton High School in 1969. After high school, Tommy attended Oklahoma State University and graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Entomology. After graduation, Tommy worked for the U.S.D.A. for a short time. He then went on to become a clerk for the U.S. Postal Service in Miami, OK and retired after 35 years of distinguished service. On November 24, 1972, Tommy married the love of his life, Pamela Nix in Columbus, KS and the couple made their home in Afton, Oklahoma.

Tommy was well rounded with many interests, ranging from gardening, carpentry, sports and collecting vinyl records. His love of nature and the outdoors was well documented in his interest in photography. Some of his favorite subjects were Oklahoma sunsets, flowers and his grandkids. He also enjoyed coaching and he played softball for many years where he made countless friends on the field. His ornery sense of humor and mischievous streak always kept everyone on their toes. More than anything, Tommy was a family man and nothing made him happier than spending time with his wife and children and grandchildren, who will all miss him dearly.

He was preceded in death by his father.

Left to cherish Tommy's memory: wife of 47 years, Pam Jarvis of Afton, OK;

mother, Vera Jarvis of Miami, OK; children: Loren Jarvis and Kim Prince of Afton, OK, Lindsay Jarvis and Walter Crane of Grove, OK and Cody Jarvis and Mikki Rice of Bernice, OK; siblings: Wayne Jarvis and wife, Jana of Miami, OK, Marsha Martins and husband, Keith of Vinita, OK, Terri Lane and husband, Jim of Afton, OK, 10grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

A casual gathering in Tommy's memory will be held from 3-5pm Saturday, April 13, 2019 at Nichols-Stephens Reception Center, Grove, OK.

The family request that donations be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital in lieu of flowers.

Arrangements entrusted to Nichols-Stephens Funeral & Cremation Services.

Tribute Wall



“ Nichols Funeral & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Tommy D. Jarvis



Nichols-Stephens Funeral & Cremation Services - April 13, 2019 at 01:45 PM



“ Tommy D. Jarvis

October 04, 2023 at 03:23 PM



“ We just wanted to let you know that we are not going to be able to make it to the service today and you are all in our thoughts and prayers. Tom was a wonderful man!! I know he will be dearly missed. Love and prayers!!! Gerald and Donna

Gerald & Donna Williams - April 13, 2019 at 11:14 AM



“ We have so many good memories of Tom and Pam and we love them very much. Tom will be forever missed and though he was my Brother-in-law he is my Brother. Love you Tom. Love, Ken and Donna

Donna Phillips - April 11, 2019 at 02:34 PM

LJ

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Lindsay Jarvis - April 11, 2019 at 01:30 PM

MI

“ Marsha & Jerry Irwin purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Tommy D. Jarvis.



Marsha & Jerry Irwin - April 10, 2019 at 09:06 AM

JJ

“ Jerry and Marsha Irwin purchased the Sympathy Fruits Abound for the family of Tommy D. Jarvis.



Jerry and Marsha Irwin - April 10, 2019 at 08:59 AM

MI

“ My husband and I live in Houston. I met Tom and Pam several years ago at a family gathering through their daughter Lindsay and my nephew Walter. Through the years we have shared many wonderful family celebrations and I always looked forward to seeing Tom and Pam. The most hard working, down to earth, loving couple you will ever meet. The best vegetables I have ever tasted came from their garden!

When Tom was staying at M. D. Anderson Hospital in Houston for treatment, I had the opportunity to visit with him, Pam, and Lindsay on many occasions. This is when I came to know the strength of this family as well as their love and kindness. Tom endured surgeries and treatments that a lesser man may have shied away from. He was determined to get better no matter what, and get back home to his most valuable possessions - the relationships with those he loved - his family. Pam stayed by his side at the hospital sleeping in chairs most of the time. Even going to the cafeteria to eat seemed to much time away. I feared he would never make it home . . . but he did.

I was so glad to see him at a family gathering in Grove about a month later. He gave his family the gift of time. Time to say the things that matter most. Time to say good-bye, I love you, I'll miss you, Thank you, and forgiveness.

Pam, you have become a treasured friend and family member. I know your heart aches for Tom and I wish you our Heavenly Father's comfort as you mourn the loss of your life-partner.

Love,

Marsha & Jerry

Marsha Irwin - April 10, 2019 at 08:46 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tommy D. Jarvis.*



April 10, 2019 at 03:13 AM



“ *Charlene and family purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Tommy D. Jarvis.*



Charlene and family - April 09, 2019 at 09:07 AM



“ *Dear Pam, sorry to here of Tom's passing. I found out about him being ill from Roger, one day in Wal-mart when I just ran into him. We spent a while talking about the both of you and I am very sorry for your loss. The Tom i knew was a very good person and always willing to help. Sorry we did not see much of you all after Sue passed away. We both really enjoyed the time we spent at your home and i am glad we both spent the time there with family that we did. If I can be of any assistance to you please let me know.*
Joe Rose

Joe Rose - April 09, 2019 at 06:19 AM



“ I guess the first thing I remember about Tom was how handsome I thought he was. I am five years younger than him and I know when Pam married him, I just thought he was "dreamy." Even more important, though, is that Tom was so easy to be around. He made you feel like he liked you, even if he didn't know you that well. I loved the time we spent with him and with Pam, I only wish we'd gotten close years ago instead of just the last few years. I've always loved Pam and Tom, but did not know how closely our beliefs aligned until just the last few years. As a result, my husband, Larry, and I began to see Pam and Tom socially more in the past few years and really enjoyed our time with them. It was nice to find someone in the family who thought so much in line with the way we did. This is not a common occurrence, in my experience. I treasure the time spent with them and will miss him so much. Pam, you know we are here for you if you need anything. We love you all!

Janet Cave - April 08, 2019 at 10:07 PM



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Janet Cave - April 08, 2019 at 09:24 PM