

Billy Wayne Farris

June 17, 1938 - January 22, 2026

A Celebration of Life for Bill Farris will be 2:00 p.m. Sunday, February 1, 2026, at the Marshall Funeral Home Chapel with Steve Hamm and Todd Holder officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Alva. There will be a visitation with family present from 4-6:00 p.m. Saturday, January 31, 2026.

Billy Wayne, son of Wayne H. and Marie (Eckels) Farris, was born June 17, 1938, at Dacoma, and passed away peacefully surrounded by his family January 22, 2026, at the age of 87 years, 7 months, and 5 days.

Bill was raised on the farm near Dacoma and graduated from Dacoma High School. Baseball was his passion and he played summer league baseball in Enid for George Failing. He attended Northwestern Oklahoma State College, earning a Bachelor's Degree in Education in 1962 and played baseball all four years. During the summers while in college, he played in a league in McPherson, Kansas, for Van Johnson. On March 21, 1958, he was united in marriage to Ja Deanna J. Smith at the Dacoma Church of God. To this union two daughters were born: La Deanna and Pamela. He taught school and coached in Oklahoma and Kansas for many years before working at the USDA Farm Service Agency as a Technician. Bill and Ja Deanna moved to Alva in 2005, retiring from the Farm Service Agency in 2011 after 23 years of service.

He was a member of the Dacoma Church of God. Family was important to Bill, especially his grandsons, attending all of their sporting events and activities. He enjoyed hunting, golfing, and traveling.

Besides his parents, Wayne and Marie, he was preceded in death by his brother and his wife, Max and Marie Farris; his brother-in-law, Leroy Loges; and a infant grandson, Cody Don Wiebener.

Bill is survived by his wife of nearly 68 years, Ja Deanna Farris of Alva; his daughters, La Deanna "Dee" Wiebener and her husband, Jack, of Alva, and Pam Gale and her husband, Steve, of Alva; his brothers, Ernie Farris and his wife, Genevieve, of Alva, John Farris and his wife, Vicki of Missouri; his sister, Kay Loges of Alva; four grandsons, Taylor Wiebener and his wife, Natalie, of Kingston, Jeremy Wiebener and his wife, Mackenzie, of Alva, Mitchell Gale and his wife, Rayel, of Penhold, AB, Canada, and Tyson Gale and his wife, Gabby, of Union City, Tennessee; seven great grandchildren, Dakota, Kaya, Taylie, Nash, Giovanna, Truitt, and Carmella; other relatives and friends.

Bill loved God, his Family, Baseball, and Golf.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made through the funeral home in his memory to the NWOSU Ranger Baseball, Alva Golf and Country Club, or the Dacoma Church of God.

Previous Events

Visitation with Family

JAN 31. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Marshall Funeral Home of Alva
230 Flynn Street. P.O. Box 804
Alva, OK 73717
(580) 327-2311
<https://www.marshallfuneralhomes.com/>

Celebration of Life

FEB 1. 2:00 PM (CT)

Marshall Funeral Home Chapel
230 Flynn
Alva, OK

Tribute Wall

RS

“ Sorry to hear of the passing of Coach Farris. I enjoyed playing football and running track for him. Coach Farris led the Bucklin Red Aces to a runner up finish in the 1972 8-man football championship game. He also coached the boys track team to the 1973 1A indoor and outdoor track championships. RIP Coach Farris
Rob Scott

Rob Scott - January 31 at 08:34 PM

SR

“ Scott and Christie Riley purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Billy Wayne Farris.



Scott and Christie Riley - January 30 at 05:41 PM

SR

“ Scott and Christie Riley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Billy Wayne Farris.

Scott and Christie Riley - January 30 at 05:41 PM

DE

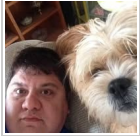
“ Dee and family, so very sorry for your loss! Thinking of you!

Denise Dunnigan Emmer - January 30 at 03:40 PM

SA

“ Bill was such a kind hearted man and he will be missed greatly. He and JaDeanna were like grandparents to my daughter and loved our family as their own. My sincere condolences to your family during this time. Love, Shontu'e and family.

Shontue Anson - January 30 at 09:47 AM



“ 2 files added to the album Video Tribute



Jonathan Farris - January 29 at 05:15 PM

CL

“ Dear Farris family,
Thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. My son and daughter-in-law Justin and Shawna Lau were neighbors to you and Bill for several years. He will be truly missed.

Sincerely,

Cherie Lau

Justin and Shawna Lau family

C. Lau - January 29 at 07:53 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Video Tribute



Marshall Funeral Homes - January 28 at 05:56 PM

JH

“ Prayers for strength and comfort, to Bill’s family and friends 🙏... ”

Jimmy Helm - January 27 at 11:25 AM



“ A very kind person. Bill enjoyed golf with him.. ”



Linda Brawner-Beeler - January 26 at 12:16 PM

PW

“ Ja Deanna and all the Farris family members; please accept my sincere condolences on your loss of a easy-to-like friend and gentle person. Always will remember Bill with a smile and a kind word. He is a good memory for all. Paul Woodson; OKC ”

Paul Woodson - January 26 at 09:51 AM

MM

“ I always appreciated his smile and the twinkle in his eye. ”



Melody McGuire - January 26 at 12:13 AM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Billy Wayne Farris.*



January 25 at 10:25 PM



“ *Dudley And Jeanne Winn lit a candle in memory of Billy Wayne Farris*



Dudley and Jeanne Winn - January 25 at 08:05 PM



“ *Charlotte Edwards lit a candle in memory of Billy Wayne Farris*



Charlotte Edwards - January 25 at 02:46 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Hugs and love.*

Jana Terrell - January 25 at 02:37 PM