



Lantz McNeil Mathers Sr.

December 4, 1982 - December 22, 2022

Funeral services for Lantz Mc Neil Mathers Sr. will be 11:00 a.m., Saturday, January 14, 2023, at the Alva Wesleyan Church with Pastor Paul Kirk officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Alva.

Lantz Mathers Sr., son of Lester Mathers and Sherlie (Funchess) Mathers (Eddie Gentry), was born December 4, 1982, at New Orleans, Louisiana, and passed away December 22, 2022, at his home in Alva, OK.

Lantz grew up in Louisiana and was a proud graduate of the Class of 2002 from Alfred Lawless Sr. High School in New Orleans and was an All Star Football player. He gave his life to Christ and was baptized at Law Street Baptist Church in 2000. After graduation Lantz attended Paul Quinn College from 2006 – 2008. In his freshman year of playing varsity football at Paul Quinn, Lantz was named the Defensive MVP (Most Valuable Player) for 2006. During his time at “The Quinn”, he was an outstanding football player, a good student and he was socially active on and off campus. He was instrumental in starting the “Paul Quinn Ministry” in partnership with Paul Quinn College and Kirkwood Temple Christian Methodist Episcopal Church under the leadership of Dr. Jerry L. Christian, Sr. He worked to ensure students were fed every Sunday after church. Lantz was a vital part of Paul Quinn, Kirkwood Temple and every life that he touched.

When the football program at Paul Quinn ended, Lantz transferred to Northwestern Oklahoma State University in Alva, Oklahoma where he graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration. He continued to pursue his dream of playing football with the Enid Enforcers, Oklahoma Thunder Football, Dodge City Law, and SW Kansas Storm teams. He settled in Alva where he made his home and raised his children.

Besides his father, he was preceded in death by his brother, Lester Mathers Jr.

He is survived by his mother, Sherlie Funchess; his sons, Sean Mathers, Lantz Mathers Jr., and Jordan Mathers; his daughters, Je'Shayla Mathers, Clarrisa Mathers, and Shanya Mathers; his brother, Ricky Tate Mathers; his sisters, Gwendolyn Owens (Victor), Sonya Mathers (Hustler), and Gussie Hall Mathers (Tazz) and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to the funeral home.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JAN 14. 11:00 AM (CT)

Alva Wesleyan Church
302 Church Street
Alva, OK 73717

Tribute Wall

TB

“ I love you cuzzing you will truly be missed and forever lived in our hearts and soul you and daddy were always together until his lost now you and him can be together again and smile chat like always I hate I couldn't see you before you left but I'll always love you and thank of you ❤️🙏 Fly on my angel 😊 You and daddy don't have to much fun 🌐 Tanessa B

Tanessa Brimage - February 14, 2023 at 02:58 PM



“ Lantz McNeil Mathers Sr.

January 30, 2023 at 03:38 AM

TA

“ Hi i'm his niece and i remember i was on the phone with a boy once and we were just good friends and he came in the house and i was like hey uncle he was like wassup then when he started to walk to the back and heard the boys voice on the phone and said who is that on the phone i know thats not no boy and i said it not like that we just good friends from school and he snatched the phone and said you better be treating my niece right. I miss my uncle so much i love youand i wish you were still here.

Tanaya - January 20, 2023 at 07:14 PM

JS

“ Very sorry for your loss. He was a good friend. I could not attend his funeral because of health issues, but he and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.



Jim Scribner - January 19, 2023 at 03:38 PM

TG

“ I will truly miss you couzzo fly high and keep watching over us. 😭 I am at loss for words you couldn't have told me I want get to ever see you again. Now I hate I was working the last time you came to see us. I thought I was going to be able to see you next time. Dang man.



Tashie Green - January 13, 2023 at 08:35 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Lantz McNeil Mathers Sr..



January 13, 2023 at 02:37 PM

KY

“ Lantz was a leader on and off the field.... He held teammates friends to a high standard and himself to a higher one. Ride high 51!



kyle - January 12, 2023 at 10:28 PM

SJ

So sorry for your loss. I'm praying for you Shirle. 🙏🙏

Stephanie Jamerson - January 13, 2023 at 12:25 PM

BG

My Condolences to You and the Family cousin Shirlie ... May Our Lord and Savior give you strength and peace of the HOLY SPIRIT moving forward... PRAYERS.....

Barry Garrett - January 14, 2023 at 10:04 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lantz McNeil Mathers Sr..*



January 12, 2023 at 07:27 PM

RC

“ *Lord God bless my family as they are getting together to lay my cousin too rest I send my love to them my heart is heavy I feel there pain because I have walked in there shoe's hang in there love y'all* 🍌🙏💔💜💖💗🏈🏈🏈🇺🇸



Rosie Milton Carter - January 11, 2023 at 06:04 PM

TW

Prayers for Mother n Children n Sister n Brothers in Jesus Name for Strength and Faith!Tommy Wayne

Tommy W.Arp - January 12, 2023 at 09:43 AM



Remembering you today and every day. Lantz u and Sherlie are missed so so much. 🌸❤❤

Mildred Milton - May 17 at 03:42 PM

KS

“ Rest Cuzin



Kavina Scott - January 11, 2023 at 01:04 PM

JP

“ Lantz Mathers was one of the first people I met when I attended Northwestern Oklahoma State University in 2009. I don't have a lot of pictures with him, but I have pictures of Clarrisa and Lil Lantz. We had a beautifully complicated relationship. I could trust him around my daughter, Tylar Prim, on a couple of occasions he helped me out, not only with money, but with his time. Lantz was there for me when I needed him. I'm gonna keep this short and sweet but, he will be missed very much, so I love you Lantz I know I will see you again.



Jacqueline Prim - January 11, 2023 at 11:58 AM

ND

What a shocker Prayers for his family. Met Lantz thru his mon Shirley. Purchased a car thru Lantz in 2017 sight unseen he drove the car to Dallas. Very respectful and business minded man. I'm still driving this car. GOD picks the flowers and leaves the weeds, Lantz grew into the flower that God wanted for his garden. May his soul rest in peace.

Nanette Dial - January 17, 2023 at 11:14 PM

PO

“ Please accept my condolences and prayers for your family at this sad time!

Lance Jr attended school and played football with my grandson, Kelton O'Neil! I knew Lance Sr from his time at NWOSU and thru his son, Lance Jr.

Peggy O'Neil - January 11, 2023 at 10:01 AM

CH

“ Lantz, your transition has been a devastating one, but I know you are with our Heavenly Father watching over us, Continue to guide Jordan in the right direction, you were truly one of a kind a personality that was infectious! Believe it or not, I really admired the man that you became over the years, Fly high Lantz McNeil Mathers ❤️



Clemencia Howard - January 11, 2023 at 07:29 AM

KJ

“ Oh Lantz, what do I say. You were very special to me and my family. Thank you for loving my daughter for so many years. Thank you for showing Xavier and Aleana what a real dad is like and instilling your values in them. You may not have made them in the womb but you made them who they are.. and for that you will always be my son. Rest easy sweet man.. until we meet again momma Kimi will love and cherish you forever!



Kimi Johnston - January 11, 2023 at 07:04 AM

VF

“ The loss that we feel as a family has been heartbreaking to say the least. But the memories, the laughter, the love, and the joy that you have brought to our lives will bring us comfort in this immense loss that we are feeling. The mark that you left on the world and the amazing legacy that you have left behind has ensured that you will forever be remembered and loved and never forgotten. Love you forever. Sleep Peacefully.



Vasaty Foster - January 11, 2023 at 02:10 AM



“ Lantz, you left this world so suddenly but I hoped you know just how much your daughter and I loved you. We were friends then high school sweethearts and those memories, some good/some bad, and I will cherish them forever. One thing about growing up, it teaches you hard lessons however one thing never wavered and that's the love you had Shayla. Thank you for being you and I'm grateful to have had a space in time with you. Get your rest!!



Jessica Brooks - January 10, 2023 at 10:41 PM