



## Leo Stephen Brandt

October 19, 1924 - November 28, 2019

Rosary Service for Leo Brandt will be 7:00 p.m., Sunday, December 15, 2019, at Marshall Funeral Home Chapel in Alva with Fr. Bala Sagili Jesudas as celebrant. Funeral Mass will be 2:00 p.m., Monday, December 16, 2019, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Alva. Inurnment will be 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 17, 2019, at Calvary Cemetery in Tulsa. Arrangements are under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Alva.

Leo Stephen Brandt, son of the late Leo Peter and Katie Belle (Davis) Brandt, was born October 19, 1924, in Muskogee, Oklahoma, and passed away November 28, 2019, at Alva, Oklahoma, at the age of 95 years, 1 month, and 9 days.

Leo graduated from Jenks High School. He then attended Connors State College and obtained his degrees in Animal Science from Oklahoma A&M (OSU) in Stillwater. He served in the United States Marine Corps during WWII. On September 18, 1948, he was united in marriage to Josephine Elizabeth Swinney, in Tulsa.

Leo started the FFA high school education programs in both Capron and Burlington. In 1952, Northwestern State College approached Leo to start its Agriculture Department at Northwestern. He retired from NWOSU in 1986. After retirement, he taught at Pratt Community College, sold supplies for Alva

Vet Supply, and worked as Livestock Inspector for Alva State Bank, until eventually retiring at age 90.

He was a member of Sacred Heart Church, Knights of Columbus, VFW, and Retired Teachers Assn. He enjoyed taking care of his cattle, working jigsaw puzzles, and analyzing weather patterns.

Besides his parents, Leo was preceded in death by his wife, Jo; three brothers: Joe, Jim, and Al Brandt; and three sisters, Rosemary Gray, Comel Chang, and Catherine White. He is survived by his brother, Tom Brandt and wife, Mary Belle, of Houston, Texas.

Leo is also survived by three sons: Lee Brandt and wife, Sharon, of Alva, Mike Brandt of Vinita, and Tim Brandt and wife, Cynthia, of Broken Arrow; three daughters: Kathleen Marrs and husband, Dan, of Tulsa, Barbara Boyles and husband, Mike, of Salem, Illinois, and Suzanne Benhardt and husband, Russ, of McKinney, Texas; 12 grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen (Enid), or the American Red Cross.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Leo Stephen Brandt*

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January 30, 2023 at 03:38 AM



“ *Just found this. I studied, judged livestock, and worked for Leo at the NWOSU farm for a couple years. Made some trips with Leo to shows and Berkshire conferences and actually walked the reserve national champion Berkshire boar one year. Lot's of great memories and stories I could tell. He loved agriculture and working with students.*

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**Robert Williams** - April 16, 2020 at 01:30 PM

MG

“ I was in the first Ag class and a charter member of the Burlington FAA, my freshman year in High School. I am deeply indebted to Leo Brandt for teaching me leadership skills that have served me throughout my career and still are a core value system as I serve my village of Yachats Oregon as President of the City Council, at 84 years of age.

Leo helped me groom my Berk pigs and taught me showmanship skills resulting in the Champion Berk & Reserve Grand Champion at the Okla State livestock show. A scrapbook of Ribbons & projects in FFA provided the foundation for the first Junior Master Farmer awarded to anyone from Burlington.

With his late wife, Jo, at his side, Leo impacted many lives. I loved his humble way of sharing his World War II Marine experiences!!

Special blessings to Leo's siblings.

Max E. Glenn

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Max E. Glenn - December 24, 2019 at 08:38 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Leo Stephen Brandt.



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December 13, 2019 at 03:22 PM

KS

“ I was so sorry to hear about Leo's passing. I loved hearing my dad talk about having him as his ag teacher. Later, it was fun to go to the school farm and look at the Berks and learn more about them and judging pigs from him. He was so knowledgeable and respected by so many. In college when people learned I was from Alva, they would always be familiar with his Berks which was impressive to me. He will be missed by so many!

Karen Sneary - December 09, 2019 at 01:53 PM

KM

“ I got to know Leo when I taught Ag at Burlington from 1990 to 2000. He was one of the wisest men I ever came in contact with. He was so respected. I was fortunate to have him come back for the 50th anniversary of the program in 2000 and talked about a chicken coop that had burned down on the school farm. He will truly be missed.

Kurt Murray

Kurt Murray - December 09, 2019 at 01:47 PM

JC

“ Scott and I were very lucky to have met Leo when we attended Jared & Nicole's wedding. I still remember his smiling face. We are so very sorry for your loss.

JOSEPHINE CONER - December 06, 2019 at 08:55 AM

JH

“ JUDY HANNAFORD lit a candle in memory of Leo Stephen Brandt



JUDY HANNAFORD - December 05, 2019 at 10:00 AM

TB

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers for all the family. We have heard many stories of Leo, through our dear friend Barbara. We meant most of the family at Mrs. Brandts passing. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.



Tom and Judy Beyers - December 05, 2019 at 08:59 AM



“ Kathryn Racette lit a candle in memory of Leo Stephen Brandt



Kathryn Racette - December 03, 2019 at 06:38 AM

DW

“ Sorry to read of Leo's passing. We're sending our love, sympathy & prayers to his family & friends.



Dudley & Jeanne Winn - December 01, 2019 at 05:48 PM

MM

“ So very sorry to hear of your loss. I have some great memories of your dad-he had such a great knowledge of so many varied and interesting things. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.  
Marilyn Myers

Marilyn Myers - November 30, 2019 at 05:14 PM