



Ronnie Wayne Foster

July 24, 1943 - December 3, 2024

Ronnie Wayne Foster, born July 24, 1943, passed peacefully on Tuesday, December 3, 2024 in Alva, OK after complications from congestive heart failure led to a short hospital stay. A memorial service and internment will be held at 2:00 p.m. on December 27th at Duncan Memorial Cemetery.

Wayne, as he was known, was born in Lamesa, Texas, the second son of Virgil and Estelle Foster who raised him in the Duncan, OK area. He was a graduate of Comanche H.S. class of 1961 and married Mary Louise (Martin) Foster, class of '62, his high school sweetheart on April 20, 1962 in Burkburnett, TX.

Wayne worked in the Oil & Gas Industry after graduating from high school, serving in roles across Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Wyoming, and Alabama from roustabout to pumper, then Production Superintendent for state of Oklahoma with El Paso Exploration/Meridian Oil & Gas, to VP Operations with Speller Oil at time of retirement. Through many of those years he ran a hay-baling business around Kingfisher county, OK before purchasing his own piece of property to raise cattle in Garfield County, OK. Wayne loved his daughters and grandsons, taking an active interest in their participation in sports and music. Raising his family in the Word was important to Wayne. Both he and Mary have been faithful members of multiple Baptist churches throughout his life in the areas they've resided and traveled during retirement.

An avid golfer, Wayne was a highly sought after team member competing in tournaments hosted by organizations such as the Oilmen's Association from his early 20's through retirement. He enjoyed playing on his home course at Falconhead Resort & Golf Club and participating in the Oil Belt Senior Golf Association, most recently earning the 2023 80+ Champion trophy. Wayne and Mary just completed a move to Alva, OK to be closer to their youngest daughter's family.

Wayne is survived by his two daughters, Rhonda Foster Ellington and husband Paul H. Ellington of Collin County, Texas and April Daune (Foster) Nighswonger and husband Howard Gene Nighswonger of Alva, OK; three grandsons, Lewis Foster Nighswonger and wife, Morgan (Woodruff) Nighswonger of Alva, OK, Henry Wade Nighswonger of Alva, OK, Ryan Paul Ellington and wife Elyse Kusakabe Ellington of Louisburg, NC; and two great grandchildren Hawkins Foster Nighswonger and Ramona Ruth Nighswonger of Alva; Brother Retired Army Lt. Colonel Guy Foster & wife, Susan Juanita (Fox) Foster of Enid, OK. Wayne was preceded in death by his parents Virgil (4/12/1998) & Estelle (10/3/2011) Foster, and brother Virgil Keith (Sonny) Foster (12/27/1960).

In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to Alva First Baptist Church Falls Creek Camp scholarship fund.

Previous Events

Memorial Graveside Service

DEC 27. 2:00 PM.

Duncan Memorial Cemetery

Tribute Wall

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“ *Very sorry for the loss of your loved one. May God be with your family in these sad times.* ”



Jim Scribner - December 10, 2024 at 12:35 AM

MP

“ *Rhonda and April, I'm so sorry to read about your dad's passing, I think of you often and what wonderful memories of you two. be certain that you will see him again when Christ comes again.* ”
Marilyn Pickle

Marilyn Pickle - December 09, 2024 at 03:19 PM



Thank you so much, Mrs. Pickle! You are part of so many of my fondest memories as well. Take care of yourself!

Rhonda Ellington - December 26, 2024 at 12:49 PM