



David Kent Thennes

July 26, 1960 - October 19, 2019

David “Dave” Kent Thennes, 59, passed away Saturday, October 19, 2019. Dave Thennes was born in Dodge City, Kansas on July 26, 1960 to parents David Keith Thennes and June Sarles. Dave attended Dodge City schools until leaving after graduation to cowboy in Iowa. He followed the cattle operation to the Barnsdall area and stayed in that area for the rest of his life. After the ranch he was working at folded, he became an accomplished welder at John Zink and worked there until his retirement in 2010.

Dave married and had a son and a daughter, Dustin and Brooke. The weekends found Dave at work, with his kids, roping or wild horse racing. His Cowboys for Christ wild horse racing team brought him great adventures locally and also traveled to the Cheyenne Frontier Days rodeo. Dave enjoyed being part of the Cavalcade Rodeo for a big part of his life.

After several decades of being single, Dave found himself helping his friend Kevin Swan with the Woolaroc Fall Trail ride. It was there he commented to a woman about a spotted Appaloosa horse. They rode together (after she defended the poor horse not being a quarter horse), and had dinner together at the end of the ride. Dave and Tina were married 12 months later. Tina, her elderly mother, 7 year old Allie, and 15 year old Jason moved to Barnsdall and a new life was started at their place west of town. Tina’s mom said God had to make Dave such a big man to hold his big heart that welcomed not only Tina, but her crew. Dave became Tina and Allie’s rock; Allie bragged that “almost everybody has a Daddy, but I have a Davey.”

Dave is survived by his wife of the home, Tina Thennes; two daughters, Allie Baker of Barnsdall and Brooke Hopper of Parsons, Kansas; three sons, Dustin Thennes of Bartlesville, Derek Bauer of Bartlesville, and Jason Bauer of Tulsa. He is also survived by his five wonderful grandchildren; one brother, Daniel Thennes of Cary, N.C.; three sisters, Susan Thennes of Dallas, TX, Patricia Peterson of North Field, MN, and Toni Brou of Fountain City, IN; four nephews and large host of friends.

Dave is preceded in death by his parents.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to
American Therapeutic Riding Center

P.O. Box 880

Sand Springs, OK 74063

Or through PayPal at atrcsocial@gmail.com

Note: We are a 501(3) non-profit

Funeral Service will be held at 2:00pm Saturday, October 26, 2019 at the
Lighthouse Family Worship Center in Barnsdall.

Friends who wish may sign the online guestbook at www.stumpff.org

Cemetery Details

Ethel Reece Cemetery

Junction Hwy 123 & Hwy 11
Barnsdall, OK 74002

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **24**. 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stumpff-Barnsdall Funeral Home
108 7th Street
Barnsdall, OK 74002
(918) 847-2442
info@stumpff.org
<https://www.stumpff.org/>

Visitation

OCT **25**. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Light House Family Worship Center
13749 OK-11
Barnsdall, OK 74002
(918) 847-2385

Tribute Wall



“ *David Kent Thennes*

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ *David Kent Thennes*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *There are folks that God brings into our life just to show us how much he loves us. Dave was one of these folks in my life. He once helped me fulfill a lifelong dream. Without him it wouldve never happened. He was with me every step of the way to make sure I reached my dream. God bless all his family!*

Will Pappan - October 25, 2019 at 02:42 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of David Kent Thennes.*



October 24, 2019 at 05:11 PM

FM

“ From your friends in JP Endo and Pain Management purchased the Simply Elegant Spatiphyllum for the family of David Kent Thennes.



From your friends in JP Endo and Pain Management -
October 24, 2019 at 01:05 PM

TF

“ The Gary James Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of David Kent Thennes.



The Gary James Family - October 24, 2019 at 09:40 AM

KG

“ Dave was a wonderful person and he will truly be missed. When I moved to Barnsdall as a kid, he was a welcome sight, coming to family gatherings and giving me pointers as I tried my hand at riding my ornery pony, Prince! Through the years, anytime I saw him in town he would always come and talk to me. He had a way of making you feel special. I am going to keep his family in my prayers, I am doubly sad that I won't have the privilege to run into him on Bigheart Day or at Sweet Scriptures.

Kristi Kelley Grubbs - October 23, 2019 at 11:52 PM

KB

“ Dave once told me that no matter where my life would take me I would always be able to make a living with the fencing pliers he gave me. I will forever cherish those as he believed it was a step in manhood to receive a pair for your 18th birthday. Lots of love to the family who adopted me and the man who treated me like his own son.

Kelton Boyett - October 23, 2019 at 02:46 PM

BJ

“ Brenda Martin and Linda Johnson purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of David Kent Thennes.



Brenda Martin and Linda Johnson - October 23, 2019 at 11:05 AM

TP

“ I knew Dave when he worked at John Zink; he was always so kind. There was a gentle spirit about him. Praying for comfort, peace and love.

Tammy Pace
John Zink Company



Tammy Pace - October 23, 2019 at 10:28 AM

SB

“ Dave always help me after my husband passed in 2008. He made sure my pasture was mowed and bailed, to help out fire danger, knowing I couldn't do it. What blessed me was seeing him kneel at the alter and praying, I loved worshiping the Lord with him, and the hug this old lady received after church it meant a lot to me, to call him my friend and Brother in the Lord.

Susan Beeler - October 23, 2019 at 02:10 AM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of David Kent Thennes.



October 22, 2019 at 09:57 PM

SJ

“ Thank you Dave for being such a wonderful man. You were always so kind to me and Morgan. You even showed great patience the first time she tied a goat! 😊 We will not forget you, and you will be missed. Hugs to Tina, Allie, and the rest of your family.

Sandy Whitewater & Morgan Jackson - October 22, 2019 at 09:43 PM

TF

“ The Buzbee Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of David Kent Thennes.



The Buzbee Family - October 22, 2019 at 06:39 PM

JB

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



Jack Buzbee - October 22, 2019 at 06:18 PM