



## Mr. Kenneth Wayne Phelps

December 2, 1931 - June 21, 2016

Kenneth Wayne Phelps

Kenneth Wayne Phelps, 84, of Bartlesville, died Tuesday, June 21, 2016 at The Journey Home in Bartlesville.

Memorial services for Mr. Phelps will be held at 2:00 P.M., Tuesday, June 28, 2016 at Tri County Tech, Conference rooms.

Mr. Phelps was born December 2, 1931 in Lone rock, Oklahoma to Julian K. Jr. and Lue Henry (Harpole) Phelps. He grew up and received his education in Lone Rock (2 room) grade school and graduated from Minco, Oklahoma High School in 1949. He attended and received his bachelor's degree in education at Oklahoma A & M. He was married to Dixie Dwana Davison on November 22, 1960. They made their home in Okmulgee until moving to Bartlesville in 1967 when Mr. Phelps became affiliated with the Opening of Tri County Tech in Bartlesville and eventually became Superintendent of the school. He retired from that position in 1991.

He was preceded in death by his wife Dixie Dwana Phelps April 19, 2011. He is survived by his sister, Nettie Clifton of Minco, Oklahoma. His two sons, Mark Phelps and his wife Patricia Phelps of Bartlesville, Michael Phelps and his wife Terrie Phelps of Bartlesville, his two daughters Sallye Milner of

Brazoria, Texas and Keli Bussone and her husband Jim Bussone of Alma, Kansas, nine grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren

Services will be directed by the Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory. Friends who wish may sign the online guest book and leave condolences at [www.stumpff.org](http://www.stumpff.org).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Kenneth Wayne Phelps*

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October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ *Mr. Kenneth Wayne Phelps*

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October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *I met Ken Phelps in the Glory Days of Oklahoma Dept. of Vocational - Secondary Education in 1979. I worked on a grant he and John Hopper were awarded to provide student services for many rural high schools in NE Oklahoma. It opened up a whole world I never knew existed. I flourished in the investment Vo-Tech made in me with educational and career opportunities making me feel "rich" everyday! May the drive and pioneering spirit of Ken Phelps be a comfort to his family and his contributions to younger generations of educational leaders in vocational education be fondly remembered and respected.*

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**Barbara Senn** - June 28, 2016 at 04:16 PM

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“ I have to admit that ornery cuss had a major influence on my life, Primarily because of his guidance in the creation of Tri County Vo Tech - the best thing that ever happened to this area. I am grateful to have attended early on in its history through 1969 and 1970.

Because of outstanding teachers and the cutting edge classes TCT offered, there has been an unimaginable number of people equipped to be useful, employable citizens of the three county area. Not to mention the number of businesses that came to rely on Tri County to fulfill their needs for well-trained employees.

Over time TCT has grown to put many graduates well on track to a college education To have all of these benefits available locally was previously unheard of.

So Kudos to Mr Ken Phelps for dreaming big and successfully. Your family can rightly be proud of you. many thanks.

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**Barbara Y Thompson** - June 27, 2016 at 06:11 PM

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“ My condolences to the Ken Phelps family. May we not forget Ken's contributions to postsecondary education. Ken was a visionary and motivated his Tri-County team to provide the best services to all students. Many thousands of students benefitted from his insightful leadership. I will always be grateful to Ken for allowing me to be a part of his team.

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**Charles Steel** - June 26, 2016 at 11:51 AM

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“ *My sincere condolences to the family of Kenneth Phelps. May you find comfort in your loving memories, and in God's promise to soon "swallow up death forever" and "wipe away the tears from all faces." (Isaiah 25;8) With deepest sympathy,*

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**V. Thompson** - June 23, 2016 at 07:33 PM