



## Ralph Dale Farris

June 3, 1939 - March 18, 2015

Ralph Dale Farris

Mr. Ralph Dale Farris, 75, of Bartlesville, died at 10:43 A.M. on Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at the St. John Medical Center in Bartlesville.

Services for Mr. Farris will be held at 11 A.M. on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at the St. Luke's Episcopal Church with Father T. Lee Stephens officiating.

Interment will be in the Memorial Park Cemetery directed by the Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory.

Friends who wish may call for visitation at the Stumpff Funeral Home from 9 A.M. until 9 P.M. on Sunday and Monday as the casket will remain closed at the services.

Memorial funds have been established and those who wish may send their contributions to the Bartlesville Choral Society, P.O. Box 283, Bartlesville, Oklahoma, 74005 or to St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 210 S.E. 9th, Bartlesville, Oklahoma, 74003.

Mr. Farris was born at Okemah, Oklahoma on June 3, 1939 the son of Ralph and Loraine (Stockton) Farris. He was raised by his grandparents, Tom and Estella Stockton, primarily in Pawhuska. He graduated from high school at Pawhuska where he was the drum major of the Pawhuska Marching Band. He attended Oklahoma State University at Stillwater where he marched in the band and sang in the choir. While at OSU in 1960 he met his future wife, Diana Caroline Hood and they were married in Oklahoma City on March 4, 1967. They made their home in Bartlesville where he was employed with

Sterling Construction Company. He later became business partners with L.D. Hayes and they began H & F Construction Company which was an electric highline construction company operating from 1976 until 1990. Mr. Farris was then employed in 1990 with Verdigris Valley Electric Cooperative, where he was honored as "Employee of the Year" in 2005 and from which he retired in 2006. Mr. and Mrs. Farris both sang in the church choirs at the First United Methodist Church, First Presbyterian Church and St. Luke's Episcopal Church and he had also taught Sunday School classes to high school students. He was a member of the Westron Wynde Earlye Musicke Consort, which performed locally and toured in the surrounding area. Mr. Farris was also a member of the Bartlesville Choral Society and liked boating, water skiing, fishing and hunting. He had also assisted with concessions in the Bartlesville Little League program. He also liked to collect all kinds of knives and play Freecell. He loved all kinds of music, especially classical rock and country western. He was also known for his incredible sense of humor and good counsel for young people.

Mr. Farris is survived by his wife Diana of the home, two sons, Eric Scott Farris and Daniel Mark Farris and his wife Amy all of Tulsa, one sister, Janelle Coulter of Spring, Texas, three grandchildren, Craig Farris and his companion, Amy Kuehn, Chelsey Farris and Rachel Farris, one great grandchild, Alex Farris, three nieces, Caryn Stewart, Pilar Hood and Kirsten Kropf and a nephew, Chris Coulter. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister in infancy.

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Ralph Dale Farris*

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ *Ralph Dale Farris*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *I will never forget the good times and laughter.*

**Don Beaumont** - March 26, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dan, we are so sorry for your family's loss. I never had the pleasure of meeting your dad, but if what I've read about him is true, I can definitely see why you are the way you are!*

**Damian and Colette Morris** - March 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of your sad news my mother and I will be thinking of you and your family*

**Nancy Jamison** - March 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *I always enjoyed with Ralph and Diana would come into Smartoys. Love them both and sending hugs to his family for they will miss such a good man.*

**Glenda Bolinger** - March 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Diana, I couldn't have asked for a better friend than Ralph. I felt he always had my back. The life story "Growing up with Ralph Farris" is mine & I ran out of room for things like Osage Co 4-H squaredance champs,

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**JOHN HATCHETT** - March 22, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Dear Diane & family,  
I was saddened to hear the bad news. Although we didn't stay in touch after OSU, Ralph and I were good friends and I think back on all those fun times in the pit orchestra for musicals, marching band, and KKY, our band fraternity. He played a great bari-sax!!

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**Bob Hardin** - March 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM