



## David Lee Salmon

July 11, 1949 - August 19, 2023

David Lee Salmon, 74, of Muskogee, Oklahoma passed away Saturday, August 19, 2023. He was born July 11, 1949 in Tulsa, Oklahoma to Bobby Salmon and Geraldine “Bunny” (McKee) Salmon. He attended public schools and graduated from Muskogee High School with the class of 1967.

David worked at Ace TV, Trice TV, Sears, OG&E, Hatbox Field Airport, and Fort Howard. He retired from Georgia Pacific in July of 2020 after 30 ½ years of service.

He married Shirley Leonard Wallace in 1986 in Muskogee.

David loved spending time and visiting with his flying instructor and best friend, Butch Robinson, talking about flying airplanes. He loved to travel and spend time with his family and friends.

He was musically inclined and played the violin, guitar, some cello and a little bit of piano. He was in a “garage band” in his late teens.

He will be remembered for his ornery streak. He talked his brother into throwing a lit match in an empty gas tank to “burn the fumes” out. There were no injuries, but David thought it was funny. He loved playing practical jokes.

He was our older brother-good or bad.

David loved kids and liked to play pranks on them. He was smart in math and was always willing to help his sisters and grandchildren out with their algebra.

His sister said he was kind of bossy. The oldest child in a family tends to be that way. He thought he had to “help” raise his younger siblings.

Most important to him though was the time he spent being a Sunday school

teacher in the children's and youth departments. He wanted each one (as well as family members) to know Jesus as their Lord and Savior.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Geraldine "Bunny" Salmon; grandparents, George and Ida Salmon, Milton and Leata McKee; as well as some aunts, uncles and cousins.

David is survived by his loving wife, Shirley; father, Bobby Salmon; children, Angela and Ty Wilson, Scott Salmon, Eric Salmon, Shawn and Julia Salmon, Shelly and Patrick Salmon, and Shannon Alley; 15 grandchildren, Avary, Cade, Kiernan, Jake, Mylie, Cody, Victoria, Allianie, Alaina, Corey, Jessica, Tyler, Courtney, Jadyn, and Zane; 2 great-grandchildren, Harley and Ramiel; aunt, Delores Metzger; siblings, Toni and Dave Leach, Barbara and Larry Harlen, Robert and Shelly Salmon; along with several nieces, nephews, cousins, other family members and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorial can be made in David's honor to Samaritan's Purse, PO Box 3000, Boone, NC 28607 or online at <https://Samaritan'spurse.org> or Southeast Baptist Church Youth Department, 2511 E. Hancock, Muskogee, OK 74403.

The family will receive friends from 5-7PM, Wednesday, August 23, 2023 at Cornerstone Funeral Home.

David's life will be celebrated at 2PM, Thursday, August 24, 2023 at Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Doug Miller and Rev. Ronnie Leonard officiating. Interment will follow at Greenhill Cemetery with grandchildren serving as pallbearers.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenhill Cemetery

1500 N. York Street  
Muskogee, OK 74403

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **23**. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

CORNERSTONE FUNERAL HOME  
1830 N York St  
MUSKOGEE, OK 74403

## Family to greet friends

AUG **23**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

CORNERSTONE FUNERAL HOME  
1830 N York St  
MUSKOGEE, OK 74403

## Service

AUG **24**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel  
1830 N. York St.  
Muskogee, OK 74403



# Tribute Wall



“ *David Lee Salmon*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *I had a little blue Volkswagen that I drove and David always worked on it when it broke down. Shirley moved into my apartment complex with her girls and I met her. I finally decided to get rid of my car and ended up selling to Shirley, boy was David glad that headache was gone. David married Shirley and guess what he got in return, you're right the blue Volkswagen, what a sad day for him but we all got a laugh out of it. May he fly high with the Angels, I'm sure as good a person as he was they came right down and got him. So sorry for your loss Shirley and the rest of the family*

**Sharon "Turkey" Harris** - August 27, 2023 at 04:18 PM



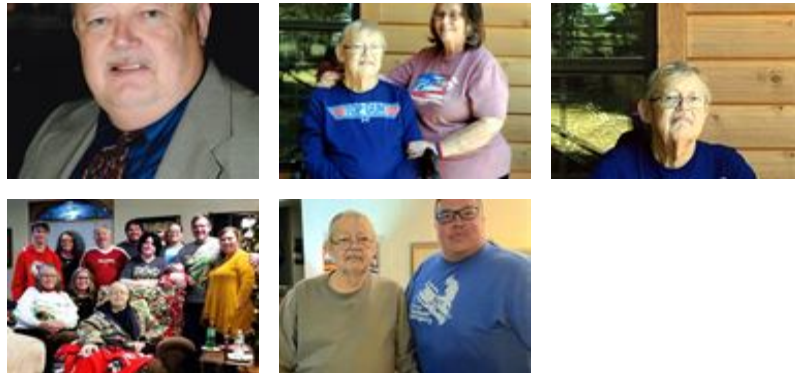
“ *Our thoughts are prayers go out to the Salmon family. We worked with David at the mill, along with Shirley.*



**pamreganall** - August 23, 2023 at 06:39 PM



“ 84 files added to the album Life Tributes



Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - August 23, 2023 at 04:31 PM

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“ Knew David when we worked at Sears. Always easy to get along with! Thoughts and prayers for family!

Ann Palmer - August 23, 2023 at 12:42 PM

RK

“ David was a true friend when you need him he was there for you to help lift you with prayers good words he was my right hand at work I knew he was someone you could count on and show you love kindness inspiration for you I will miss dear friend forever I will always remember our friendship and May family have comfort and peace and prayers during this time we love all of you and we are here for whole family

Rocky and Linda Jacob King - August 23, 2023 at 10:47 AM

TB

“ *the Briley's lit a candle in memory of David Salmon*



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**the Briley's** - August 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM

GB

“ *David was a wonderful and kind man. Always there to help you with kind words or deeds ! Will be missed ❤️ and prayers for Shirley and the family ❤️*

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**Glenn ,Glentte Briley** - August 22, 2023 at 10:23 AM

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“ *I have many good memories of David as my youth minister at Southeast as well as the years following youth group. He was a man of God and had such a good heart. He will be missed.*

*Shirley, keeping you and your family close in prayer.*

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**Alison Plunkett** - August 22, 2023 at 08:17 AM