



## Frank Raymond Sewell

May 30, 1966 - April 24, 2016

Frank Raymond Sewell of Muskogee, OK, died Sunday, April 24, 2016. Frank was born in Okmulgee, OK, on May 30, 1966. He was the son of Dr. Raymond D. and Nellie June (Watson) Sewell.

Frank attended Henryetta and Muskogee Public Schools. He was a member of the Pride of Muskogee Marching Band where he was an accomplished trumpet and mellophone player. He traveled with the Pride to Washington D.C. in 1982, to perform in the Cherry Blossom Parade. Frank was also active in Speech and Debate and ranked highly in the National Forensic League competitions. He graduated from MHS in 1984.

Frank was awarded a scholarship to Northeastern State University for outstanding performance in History, and attended NSU his freshman year. He then transferred to the University of Oklahoma where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and History in 1988. While at OU, Frank became a member of the Gamma Kappa Chapter of Kappa Sigma Fraternity, where he served as Public Relations Chair, and was awarded recognition for scholarship. He also enjoyed working at "The Mont," a favorite establishment for students of the University.

Upon graduation from OU, Frank was accepted into the Oklahoma City University School of Law. He graduated with a Juris Doctorate in 1991. Frank was recognized with the American Jurisprudence Award for Evidence in 1990. Frank was admitted to practice law in Oklahoma 10th Circuit Court of Appeals, US District Court, Western District of Oklahoma and Eastern District of

Oklahoma.

Frank's career in Law began as an Associate for the firm of Mata and Mata, in Lawton, OK, where he practiced general civil and family law. Frank continued his career with the Oklahoma Supreme Court, where he served for more than 20 years as Clerk for two Supreme Court Justices. Frank was extremely proud of his career in law and in serving the court systems of Oklahoma. He was a member of the Oklahoma Bar Association.

Frank enjoyed life. Growing-up, he was always surrounded by many friends, and hosted many fun parties in his family home. He found fun in most everything with which he was involved. He loved to tell jokes and stories, he enjoyed travel, reading, and was a fan of movies of all sorts, but especially comedies and horror films. He was quite talented at any home improvement task and took pride in maintaining his home. Frank was an avid fan of his alma mater, the University of Oklahoma Sooners football team. Most of all, Frank enjoyed his family and his children, of whom he loved and was most proud.

Frank is survived by his parents, of Muskogee, OK, his three children, Kayla, Julie and Lance, of Edmond, OK, his sisters, Sheila Sewell, of Oklahoma City, OK, and Lana and her husband Donald Reed of Muskogee, OK, nieces Rachael and her husband Will Gilliam of Muskogee, OK, Lauren Ritchie, of Muskogee, OK, and Alix Golden, of New York City, NY, nephew, Aaron and his wife Krissy Ritchie, of Searcy, AR, great nephew and niece, Jack and Olivia Gilliam, of Muskogee, OK, the mother of his children, Melanie Sewell of Edmond, OK, cousins, Dr. Everett and Corva Murphy, of Kansas City KS, Terry Hold and Denny and Becky Hold, of Henryetta, OK, special friends, Becky and Chip Webster, Kathy and Mark Steele, and Lou Ann and Donnie Smith, and many other extended family and friends.

Frank was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Wrothel D. and Ida (Sims) Sewell, of Davis, OK, and his maternal grandparents, Joseph Robert and Beryl (Crafts) Watson, of Henryetta, OK.

Funeral services celebrating Frank's life will be 2:00 p.m., Thursday, April 28,

2016 at Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel with Chaplain Shannon Morgan officiating. Interment will follow at Memorial Park Cemetery with Guy Mayberry, Darrin Walters, Steve Highfill, Jeff Potts, Kenneth Thompson, and Chip Reid serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers will be David McKee and Michael Krywucki.

# Cemetery Details

## Memorial Park Cemetery

7600 Old Taft Rd.  
Muskogee, OK 74401

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 26. 1:00 PM - 5:30 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home & Crematory  
1830 North York Street  
Muskogee, OK 74403  
(918) 682-1500

## Visitation

APR 27. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home & Crematory  
1830 North York Street  
Muskogee, OK 74403  
(918) 682-1500

## Visitation

APR 28. 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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## Service

APR 28. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

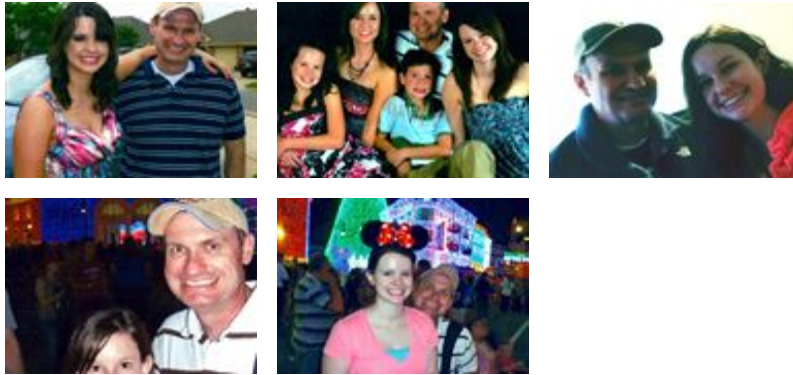


“ *Frank Raymond Sewell*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



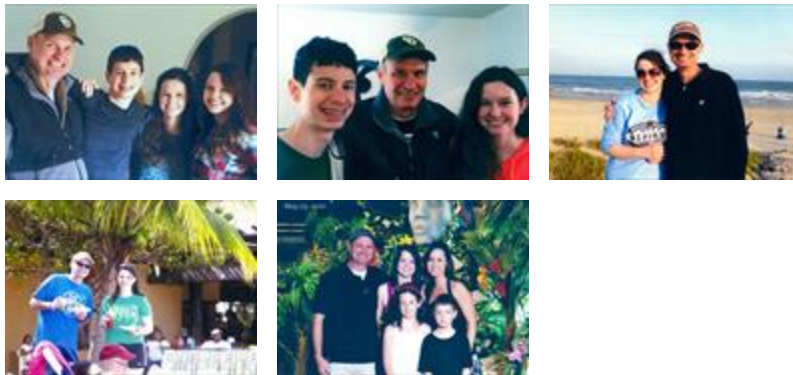
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Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - April 28, 2016 at 09:51 AM



“ *81 files added to the album Memories Album*



Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - April 27, 2016 at 05:24 PM

 Mark  
Walters

“ I will always remember the day I first met Frank. The Sewell Family had moved to Muskogee in 1975. The family were living at 1200 Mulberry that Summer until Dr. Sewell started his job at Bacone College. My family lived two houses down at 1210 Mulberry. I was riding my bicycle and there was Frank riding his in their driveway. Frank was getting ready to go into the 4th Grade and myself into the 3rd. We were both shy and finally got around to meeting each other that day with the help of our Mothers'. I still remember his smile and how cool his wavy hair looked riding his bike. We were able to enjoy a lot of things that 8 and 9 year old boys do together during the Summer thanks to our Parents. I was honored to be invited to dinner at the Sewell Home during the Summer and the chance to become Frank's friend. I was very Sad when they moved. I was so glad to see Frank again at Alice Robertson and Muskogee High School. He still was soft spoken, intelligent and ALWAYS fun to be around! I will never forget the day at M.H.S. when he would not respond to Frank. He said his name was Art Buchwald! He had taken a picture of the Famous Humorist and taped it over his own driver's license photo. Frank's Intellect, humor, and kindness was matched by no one at Muskogee High School!. The State of Oklahoma and especially the City of Muskogee; is a better place for having The Sewell Family & Frank Raymond touch each of our lives. We are truly blessed. I love you Frank and will see you again in Heaven my friend!!!

Mark E. Walters  
Muskogee, Ok.

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**Mark Walters** - April 27, 2016 at 12:50 AM

LR

Thank you, Mark, for this wonderful tribute. I remember living there on Mulberry Street and of your friendship. You helped make the transition to a new city so much easier for Frank. I appreciate all that you shared.  
Lana Sewell Reed

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**Lana Reed** - April 27, 2016 at 12:24 PM

AE

“ Frank & I attended the same church when we were in high school. He graduated with my brother Keith in 1984. My heart broke when I read this today. Frank & I reconnected through Facebook & talked on the phone through some rough moments for me. He had just moved back to Muskogee when we kinda lost touch again. Though we lived 700 miles apart he could still make me smile and laugh. I pray for his family especially his children. The loss of a parent is not one that any child should go through. As an adult losing my mom was devastating much less as a young child. I'm asking a God to let his family find peace.



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angela~leigh reed easton - April 26, 2016 at 10:53 PM

TN

“ Frank will truly be missed. Much love and prayers to my cousins, the Sewell Family.

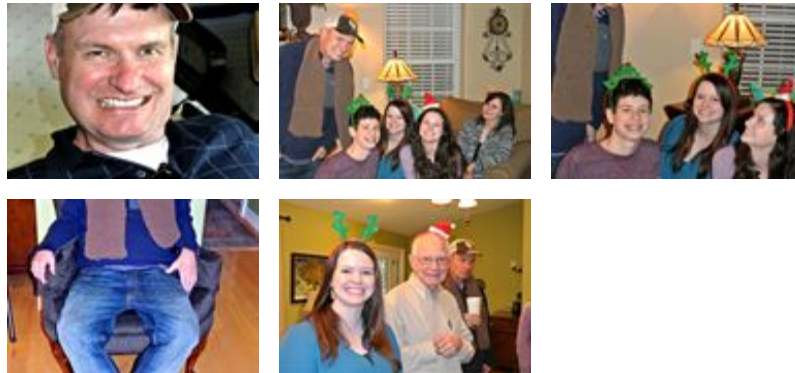


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Tom and Karen Nichols - April 26, 2016 at 04:17 PM



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Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - April 26, 2016 at 03:29 PM

TN

*Sweet and adorable photos.*

Tom and Karen Nichols - April 26, 2016 at 04:19 PM

CM

“ *Frank was so fortunate to have such a loving family during his illness. I know he will be missed very much and we are sending much love to my Aunt June and Uncle Ray, his sisters, Lana and Sheila, his brother-in-law Don, Frank's children, and all of his nieces and nephews....he was such a good guy. Our hearts are heavy.*

*Butch and Corva Murphy*

corva murphy - April 26, 2016 at 11:12 AM

SD

“ *For Frank's family, my sincere condolences during such a hard time. I went to high school with Frank, he was such a nice guy, his loss will be felt by everyone that knew him.*

Stacy Dailey - April 26, 2016 at 08:50 AM



“ *Kayla Sewell lit a candle in memory of Frank Raymond Sewell*



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**Kayla Sewell** - April 25, 2016 at 09:27 PM

 Valorie Rivero

“ *My sincere condolences to Frank's family during this difficult time.*

*Frank was a good friend and to this day I still chuckle remembering how he had a picture of Art Buchwald taped over his driver's license photo. I'm so glad we remained in sporadic touch after high school, and am so sad to think that is gone. A good guy who will be missed.*

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**Valorie Rivero** - April 25, 2016 at 02:27 PM

SH

“ Frank was my friend. We graduated high school together. Our lives went in separate directions after that, but for about 6 years we were as close friends can be. The awkward adolescent years when often our friends are the only ones we can talk to. Who understand us. He was always there for me.

We used to sneak out of our houses and night and meet up at 7-11 and plug quarters into Pac-Man and Asteroids all night. Later, we'd cruise in his old Monte Carlo, for mile after pointless mile, cause gas was cheap and we were young and didn't have a care.

And we laughed. Oh how we laughed.

For his family, I'm so sorry. I can't imagine the pain this has caused. His parents always welcomed me in their home. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

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Steve Highfill - April 25, 2016 at 10:08 AM



Amen. Frank was a good soul.

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Stephen Lindsey - April 25, 2016 at 12:51 PM

SB

Frank brought me a lot of joy and laughs in my childhood. My best memories are climbing up the stairs and ladders to get to the top of the "castle" tower at Bacone College. We had a great time up there! I'm so sad not to be there to express my sympathies to his family and friends. I will miss his face on my Facebook, his messages, and just knowing that he was around if I wanted to talk.

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stacy corzatt bahner - April 27, 2016 at 09:27 AM

MS

“ I have so many special memories of Frank as a wonderful and loving father to our three children. We deeply love and miss him.

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**Melanie Sewell** - April 24, 2016 at 04:07 PM

JS

“ My Dad was a really good dad, some of my favorite memories is when he would make us homemade pizza, watch movies with us and tuck us tightly into bed.

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**Julie Sewell** - April 24, 2016 at 03:00 PM