



Graham E. Swearingen

November 21, 1943 - October 30, 2020

Graham Edward Swearingen, age 76, of Webbers Falls, Oklahoma passed away Friday, October 30, 2020 in Sallisaw, Oklahoma.

Graham was a 1963 graduate of Webbers Falls High School. He enlisted in the United States Army and entered into service April, 1964. He served at Fort Polk, LA; Fort Hood, TX; Vietnam; and returned to Fort Polk, LA. He was a part of the infantry division. He served three years active duty and three years inactive duty receiving an honorable discharge in March 1970 with the rank of Sergeant E5.

Graham was versatile in the construction industry. He began his career as a laborer with San Ore Gardner on the Webbers Falls Lock & Dam 16 and as a carpenter-rigger foreman on the Kaw Dam in Ponca City. He worked with several other construction companies as an iron worker, carpenter, boiler maker and boiler maker foreman, a machine operator, and iron maker foreman. He was versatile in several construction areas and would say, "I can build anything but a bank account." He built houses and did home and business renovations from 1994 until he retired in 2011.

Graham came to know Jesus as his Savior at the age of eight during a vacation Bible school at Webbers Falls First Baptist Church. As an adult he was an active member of First Baptist Church, Webbers Falls. He taught

youth classes and adult classes as well as leading RAs. Graham was the spiritual leader of the home ensuring that he and his family were at the church anytime the doors were open.

Graham was preceded in death by his parents, Frances Helen (Farmer) Swearingen and Edward Ray Swearingen; stepmother, Dorothea Swearingen; and one granddaughter, Lucille Page Swearingen.

He is survived by his wife, Dixie of the home; sons, Damion and wife, Melody of Sweetwater, OK; Ross and wife Tia of Tulsa, OK; Caleb and wife, Amy of Weatherford, OK; four grandchildren, Charlee, Kendrick, Sadie, and Caroline; one brother, Paul and wife, Sandy of Webbers Falls; and a plethora of relatives and friends.

Graham is remembered most for his love for the Lord, love for his family (including Alura Belle), his witty sense of humor, and his practical jokes (He was quite a disrupter of weddings). He will be missed by many but is so happy to be in the presence of the Savior.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to either the Webbers Falls First Baptist Church Youth Fund or the Alzheimer's Association.

Services celebrating Graham's life will be 10AM, Thursday, November 5, 2020 at Webbers Falls High School with Mr. Damion Swearingen officiating. Pallbearers will be Andrew Swearingen, David Jarrard, Jordan Burris, Steve Shelby, Thomas Hedge, and Timothy Acker.

Interment will be 10AM, Friday, November 6, 2020 at Fort Gibson National Cemetery with military honors being presented.

Cemetery Details

Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 National Cemetery Rd.
Fort Gibson, OK

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 4. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Service

NOV 5. 10:00 AM (CT)

Webbers Falls High School
200 N Stand Watie, Webbers Falls, OK 74470
Webbers Falls, OK 74470

Tribute Wall



“ *Graham E. Swearingen*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Graham E. Swearingen.*



November 04, 2020 at 11:46 AM



“ *Dixie - I know YOU, not Graham. Reading about his life helps explain why you are the woman you are. I'm so grateful that someone I so respect and admire got to share a family with him. You're in my thoughts and prayers. And he's off exploring the present Heaven! (a favorite author - Randy Alcorn)*

Deborah Taylor - November 04, 2020 at 11:43 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Graham E. Swearingen.*



November 04, 2020 at 10:17 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Graham E. Swearingen.



November 04, 2020 at 09:02 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden* was purchased for the family of Graham E. Swearingen.



November 03, 2020 at 09:47 PM