



Jack F. Tucker Sr.

September 24, 1947 - August 4, 2025

Jack Farrell Tucker Sr., age 77, a devoted husband, father, brother and educator, departed this world for his Heavenly home on Monday, August 4, 2025, at his home in Oktaha, Oklahoma.

Born on September 24, 1947, in East Chicago, Indiana, Jack was the beloved son of Glen “Jack” Earnest and Helen LaVerne (Caulk) Tucker. From a young age, he exhibited a curious mind and a love for learning. Julie would ask Jack how he got so smart, and he told her in his free time he would read the encyclopedia, attributes that would define his remarkable journey.

Jack attended Stidham Elementary and was a proud graduate of Eufaula High School, class of 1965. His academics pursuits continued at Connors State College in Warner, followed by studies at Southeastern State University in Durant, Oklahoma University in Norman, and East Central University in Ada. Driven by an unquenchable thirst for knowledge, Jack achieved what few do – earning three master’s degrees.

On September 3, 1968, at Oktaha Trinity Baptist Church, Jack married the love of his life, Julie Ann West. Their union was a testament to enduring love and partnership, spanning more than 57 wonderful years filled with love.

Jack’s professional journey was as varied as it was meaningful. He

contributed his talents to Boeing in Wichita, Kansas as a tool and die worker that worked on the Saturn Rocket and helped build Chinook helicopters. He also worked at the Naval Ammunition Depot in Savannah, Oklahoma. His true calling, however, was in education. Jack poured his heart into teaching and administration, culminating in his role as teacher and principal at the Oklahoma School for the Deaf, where he inspired countless students and colleagues. Jack always believed that the important part of his job at OSD was putting the students first. He created the OTOD program nearly 40 years ago, which gave deaf students the opportunity to learn skills in different job venues. Jack retired in 2009, leaving behind a legacy of compassion, dedication, and the transformative power of education.

Jack's life was a testament to the values of hard work, scholarship, and selfless service. He was a steadfast friend and a guiding light to his family and community. He also was a commissioner for DRS in the State of Oklahoma. He worked with both the Deaf School and Blind School, which he loved helping these schools and teachers to be the best that they could be.

He will be deeply missed by Julie; his daughter, Jen; and son Jack Jr.; his sister, Kristie and husband Donnie, and many other family members, friends, former students, and colleagues, and all who had the privilege to know him. Though Jack has left his earthly home, the lessons he imparted and the love he shared will endure for generations.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Tom, Jerry, and Terry Tucker; his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Gerald and Peggy West; and his brother-in-law, Jerry West.

Jack is survived by his loving wife, Julie of the home; daughter, Jen Tucker, Jen Elsner and grand dog, Parker; and son, Jack Tucker Jr; his sister, Kristi Crall and husband Donnie; sisters-in-law, Cherry

West Thompson and husband Bruce, and Dawna Tucker; nieces, Heather Hutton and husband Keith, Mandi Harris and husband Shawn and family, Candace Bowden and husband Aaron and family, Sabrina Vezmar and husband Paul, Tiffany Ryann Radcliff and husband Noland, and Krystal Tucker; nephews, Mitch McGill and wife Reka, Jeremy Tucker and wife Sarah, Tim Tucker and wife Jenna, Cody Tucker, Terry Wayne Tucker Jr., and Thomas Regalado; his Church family, along with numerous other family members and friends.

The family will greet friends from 3-5PM, Sunday, August 10, 2025 at Cornerstone Funeral Home.

Jack's life will be celebrated at 10AM, Monday, August 11, 2025 at Oktaha United Methodist Church with Pastor Thomas Thompson and Pastor James Williams officiating. Interment will follow at Oktaha Cemetery.

The family requests memorials, in Jack's memory, to the Oktaha United Methodist Church or any animal foundation as Jack loved animals.

The family would like to express a very special "Thank You" to Dr. Jeremy Ross, Dr. Tim Robinson, staff at Seasons Hospice, and Oktaha United Methodist Church family, plus so many wonderful nurses who helped care for him and all the many people who prayed for him.

Cemetery Details

Oktaha Cemetery

Oktaha, OK 74450

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 9. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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

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AUG 10. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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Family to greet friends

AUG 10. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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Muskogee, OK 74403
(918) 682-1500

Celebration of Life

AUG 11. 10:00 AM (CT)

Oktaha United Methodist Church
403 E Washington St
Oktaha, OK 74450

Tribute Wall

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“Mr. Tucker”, was an inspiration to me and someone I respected to the upmost. He was an amazing boss. I always knew he had my back. He listened, he advised. And his theory of don't complain unless you have a solution has always stuck with me. Mr. Tucker rest in peace. Prayers for your family.

Linda Shelby - August 11, 2025 at 09:03 AM



“Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Jack F. Tucker Sr..



August 08, 2025 at 04:12 PM



“A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jack F. Tucker Sr..

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Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - August 08, 2025 at 12:33 PM

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“ *The Coopers' Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Jack F. Tucker Sr..*



The Coopers' Family - August 08, 2025 at 11:56 AM

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“ *Jack was a fellow Ironhead! He was such a sweetheart! Accompanied me to my first job interview at the Fountainhead Lodge in 1964! Encouraged me when I did not get the job! I will miss his light in this world!*

Mariah Helen Minyard Lee - August 07, 2025 at 10:44 PM

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“ *when Jack first appeared OSD classroom, we brought a whole world different than many of us were used to. He brought love, laughter, he made each of us know we were worthy, capable, and the stars were ours dream and chase. For many of us who did not have "father role model" this man became one for me, along with Harvey Stinson, Larry Hawkins, Mildred Gay...that we were just as important and didn't let us sit down and look down. The qualities each of these men, allowed me to see I can, and many of their strengths, love, was what I looked, searched and found in my own best friend husband. They let us know we deserved better and love too. They supported me and others to ECU, and life since I've not become the professional, wife and mother without their guide/teachings/examples. Bye Pa, say hi to Pa Hawkins, and all the other Angels waiting for us to join. Love to Julie, JJ, Jen, you were blessed to have him.*

Linda K. Blue - August 07, 2025 at 08:09 PM



“ There are many wonderful memories of Jack. First and foremost was his dedication to the students under his care, putting their needs 1st. One of my special memories was before any special occasion like prom or banquet or senior graduation, never a pre-prepared speech, but sitting at the table, scribbled notes, that became the speech he would give. I always wanted to be the one to interpret those memorable and sincere words to the students. As the interpreter it was always my honor to share his words with them, because he meant them. He will be dearly missed, but the best will be the memories that will remain. Thank you for the times we felt like family at OSD.

Angelina Cole - August 07, 2025 at 07:52 PM



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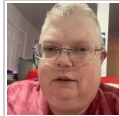
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“ There is so much that could be said about Jack. all positive! I worked with him for about 28 years at OSD and every position he held, he excelled at. The students respected him and knew that if he said something, he MEANT it. He would go above and beyond expectations for "his" kids. and ornery??- YES he was that, too. He was the BEST!!! Loved him dearly.



Velda - August 06, 2025 at 10:12 PM



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Rachel Cheatwood - August 07, 2025 at 05:46 PM

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So sorry to learn of Jack's passing after his years of medical problems. He was so strong yet a friendly one when he would see you. Prayers for you, Julie and your kids and keep your memories close

Dee Dunn - August 07, 2025 at 06:16 PM

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“ *My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever. Psalm 73:26*

We are sad to hear of Jack's passing, but take comfort that he is no longer in pain.

Katy Woods

Katy - August 06, 2025 at 05:56 PM