



## Richard J. Pruitt

January 31, 1962 - January 31, 2020

Richard Pruitt, 58, of Haskell, Oklahoma went to be with his Lord and Savior on Friday, January 31, 2020. He was born on January 31, 1962 in Granite City, Illinois to Harold Adam Pruitt and Caroline (Strobel) Pruitt. Rich lost his mother at age 11 and he then came to live with his grandma and grandpa Pruitt in Haskell, Oklahoma. He loved band and playing the drums. He was very talented. He graduated from Haskell High School with the class of 1980. Rich joined the United States Navy in 1985 and received an honorable discharge in 1992.

He married the love of his life, Peggy Sue Brewer, on May 27, 1994 in Eureka Springs, Arkansas. They shared over 25 years of life and marriage together. Rich was a loving husband to Peggy and a wonderful dad, paw paw, brother, uncle and friend.

Rich loved his life. He was a member of Southeast Baptist Church for many years. Rich loved Jesus, his church, taking care of his dad and the farm. He accepted Jesus Christ early in life and never looked back. He was a youth director for 10 years and loved the youth and went to church camp every year. Rich began his career as a lieutenant at the Jess Dunn Department of Corrections in Taft, Oklahoma for 12 years. He then worked as a fiber optic engineer at Zayo for 15 years and was still employed there upon his death. He enjoyed going fishing and creating things out of nothing. He would not throw away anything because he always said, "Someone might need it". He loved junk and had the Sanford and Son ringtone. He also enjoyed woodworking,

building things for his family, auctions, garage sales, riding his tractor and junkin'.

Rich loved his family very much and loved getting to spend time with them. He will be missed by everyone who knew and loved him.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Caroline Pruitt; paternal grandparents, Chester and Grace Pruitt; maternal grandparents, Arthur and Emily Strobel.

Rich is survived by his loving wife, Peggy of the home; father, Harold Pruitt; children, Kacie Teague and husband Jared of Warner, OK, Jennifer Cox and husband Adam of Haskell, OK, Jamie Enkey and husband Ben of Coweta, OK and Joseph Pruitt and wife Halie of Muskogee, OK; grandchildren, Kenadie, Jacie, Aidan, Remington, Lizzie, Jess and Rowan; siblings, David Pruitt and wife Kathy of Fontara, CA and Debbie Woll and husband Rick of Highland, IL; nieces and nephews, Jeff Pruitt and wife Jessica of San Bernadino, CA, Greg Pruitt of Tulsa, OK and Karolyn Page of Highland, IL; great-nieces and nephews, Michael Pruitt, Jackson, Noah and Luke Pruitt; and many other family members and friends.

In lieu of flowers the family suggested that memorials can be made and Rich's honor to the Southeast Baptist Church Youth Fund for Falls Creek Camp at: 2511 E Hancock St Muskogee, OK 74403 or at <https://sebcmuskogee.com/online-giving>.

A celebration of Rich's life will be 2PM, Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at Southeast Baptist Church with Pastor Mike Murray officiating and Pastor Andy Campbell and Pastor Frank Gregory assisting. Interment will follow at Haskell City Cemetery with Jared Teague, Adam Cox, Brent Fletcher, Jordan Cochran, Jeff Pruitt and Greg Pruitt serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers will be Shannon Brewer, Ben Enkey and Barry Phillips.

# Cemetery Details

**Haskell City Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

FEB 4. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

### Service

FEB 5. 2:00 PM (CT)

Southeast Baptist Church  
2511 E. Hancock Street  
Muskogee, OK 74403

# Tribute Wall



“ *Richard J. Pruitt*

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October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *First time I met Rich he jiggered me back on Norfolk Pine Unit. I was fresh out of the academy. My first impression was what a jerk. I was not real sure what kind of officer would jigger out another officer, but that was just Rich he would get the biggest kick out of something stupid like that. He was responsible for me joining the Navy Reserve I'm sure he got some kind of kickback for that. I left DOC and he came to work with me in Colorado we had some good times out there. I will miss him as will anyone that new him. He had a great sense of humor and the thought of him puts a smile on my face. He was a good friend, and good man. Rest In Peace my friend.*

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**Dwight Bryant** - February 07, 2020 at 12:56 AM



“ *Thinking of you all at this time. Richard was a wonderful person and always had a smile on his face. Every time I would ever see him he would greet me with a hug and be so nice. You are such sweet people. I had the pleasure of staying nights at your house when I was younger with Jennifer and going to y'all's church. All of you were always so nice and caring. I love all of you guys and are praying for you all! Lots of love, sincerely Sassy Moats (maiden:Anderson)*

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**Sassy Moats** - February 06, 2020 at 02:55 PM



Jennifer Cox

*Thank you girl! We love you 🥰*

Jennifer Cox - February 11, 2020 at 08:28 AM



“ 1 file added to the album *LifeTributes*



Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - February 05, 2020 at 11:57 AM



PH

“ Peggy,

*Ima Jean and I had planned to attend the service for Richard but due to the weather, we are staying home. Please know that I thought of lot of Richard, such a sweet young man. Always smiling and he loved to tease me. Will be thinking of you and the children as the days go by and wishing you peace and love in your heart.*

*Love, Polly*

Polly Hatcher - February 05, 2020 at 11:34 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard J. Pruitt.*



February 05, 2020 at 10:43 AM



“ 2 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - February 05, 2020 at 10:24 AM



“ 85 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - February 04, 2020 at 05:21 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet* was purchased for the family of *Richard J. Pruitt*.



February 04, 2020 at 04:43 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Richard J. Pruitt.



February 04, 2020 at 04:16 PM



“ *Zayo - Spread NCC & Media NCC Teams purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket* for the family of Richard J. Pruitt.



**Zayo - Spread NCC & Media NCC Teams** - February 04, 2020 at 12:25 PM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses* was purchased for the family of Richard J. Pruitt.



February 04, 2020 at 10:58 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Richard J. Pruitt.



February 03, 2020 at 09:00 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard J. Pruitt.*



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February 03, 2020 at 06:06 PM



“ *Ed and Nancy Rivard purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Richard J. Pruitt.*



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**Ed and Nancy Rivard** - February 03, 2020 at 02:13 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Richard J. Pruitt.*



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February 03, 2020 at 12:28 PM



“ *Sarah Walker purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Richard J. Pruitt.*



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**Sarah Walker** - February 03, 2020 at 11:04 AM

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“ *The Laing's, Gallant's, Lewis's & Odien's purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Richard J. Pruitt.*



**The Laing's, Gallant's, Lewis's & Odien's** - February 02, 2020  
at 07:12 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard J. Pruitt.*



February 02, 2020 at 04:51 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard J. Pruitt.*



February 02, 2020 at 04:19 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard J. Pruitt.*



February 02, 2020 at 03:41 PM

MS

“ Remember when he took command of the CERT team. He did a facility wide shakedown. Smooth and professional job. He was always a go getter. Always did a good job- wouldn't accept anything less. Had a sense of humor and loved his family. God needed him for work in heaven.



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**Mike Shamblin** - February 02, 2020 at 03:14 PM

JR

“ He was always smiling and and wonderful husband to Peggy you could see the love they had for each other. Great dad as well as Papa. Love his family so much and prayers for all of them!

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**Jeff and Annette Roth** - February 02, 2020 at 01:02 PM