



## Thomas Gale Barnes

August 18, 1937 - July 15, 2020

Thomas Gale Barnes (Papa Gale), 82, of Muskogee, Oklahoma went home to be with his heavenly father on Wednesday, July 15, 2020. He was born on August 18, 1937 in Muskogee, Oklahoma to Thomas Franklin Barnes and Minnie (Marlow) Barnes. He attended and graduated from Central High in 1955.

Gale enjoyed 30 years of retirement after being employed as a “Telephone Man”. His passion was riding his motorcycle, gold prospecting, and traveling the world. If you knew Gale, his first love was OU Football followed by his family. (His family was his everything, but he was very passionate about OU football)

Gale is preceded in death by his mother and father Thomas Franklin Barnes and Minnie (Marlow) Barnes; brothers and sisters, Raymond, Lawrence, LaVerne, Louise; grandson, Tyler Barnes.

He is survived by daughter, Vicki Eller (Randy); son, Terry Barnes (Diane); grandchildren, Brandi (Eller) Cook (Marc), Josh Eller (Debbie), and Tommy Joe Barnes; great-grandchildren, Brodi and Braden Cook, Maggie Murphy and John Wayne plus several nieces and nephews.

A celebration of Thomas’ life will be held 10am Monday, July 20, 2020 at Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Bobby Musgrove officiating. Interment will follow at Elm Grove Cemetery with Randy Eller, Josh Eller, Marc Cook, Tommy Joe Barnes, Brodi Cook, Braden Cook and David Berry serving as Pallbearers. Honorary Pallbearers will be Jerry Pack, Perry Palmer, Joe

Don Palmer, Joe Brandt, and Ed Chaney.

Funeral services are under the direction of Cornerstone Funeral Home, 1830 North York St, Muskogee, Oklahoma. Condolences may be made to the family online at <http://www.cornerstoneofmuskogee.com>.

In lieu of flowers the family has requested that donations be made to St Jude's Hospital.

# Cemetery Details

## Elm Grove Cemetery

South of Muskogee  
Muskogee, OK

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 18. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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

## Visitation

JUL 19. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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

## Service

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JUL **20**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas Gale Barnes*

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October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Dear Vicky, I just saw this . I so sorry for your lost. I will never for get your dad and your mom. I miss those days of friendship with your family. He always had a smile .*

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**Yolanda (Webb) Woodruff** - September 29, 2020 at 10:31 PM



“ *Gale and I were graduates of the Class of 1955, Muskogee Central High. Our friendship dates back to those early days and continued until several months ago when the pandemic prevented we classmates from gathering for our monthly breakfast.*

*Gale was always fun to be around and never failed to have something interesting to share. I only wish I had accepted the invitation to have lunch in Muskogee with he and our mutual friends and fellow classmates Ed Chaney and Lyle Burris. They always said the food was ok.....but the fellowship was wonderful. We all share an honorable native heritage.*

*Friend Gale, you have walked on, but you will not be forgotten.*

*Winnie Guess Perdue*

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**Winnie Guess Perdue** - July 21, 2020 at 07:38 PM

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“ Sincere condolences 🙏  
Gale will be missed by many.

Zelma Glass - July 20, 2020 at 11:26 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas Gale Barnes.



July 19, 2020 at 02:03 PM

TB

“ T Barnes lit a candle in memory of Thomas Gale Barnes



T Barnes - July 18, 2020 at 09:13 PM

LP

“ Sorry for your loss .Gale was good friend and co worker Sincerely  
Larry Peabody

larry peabody - July 18, 2020 at 08:48 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas Gale Barnes.*



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July 18, 2020 at 01:36 PM



“ *We salute your veteran. Our condolences for your loss & gratitude for your loved one's service to our country. May your memories & God's love bring you peace, comfort & strength at this difficult time. Death leaves a heartache no one can heal but LOVE leaves a memory no one can steal.*



*Death takes the body. God takes the soul. Our mind holds the memories. Our heart keeps the love. Our faith lets us know we will meet again someday.*

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**Larry & Lana Hurt (NE OK PGR) - July 18, 2020 at 08:39 AM**



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas Gale Barnes.*



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July 17, 2020 at 10:26 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas Gale Barnes.



July 17, 2020 at 09:21 PM



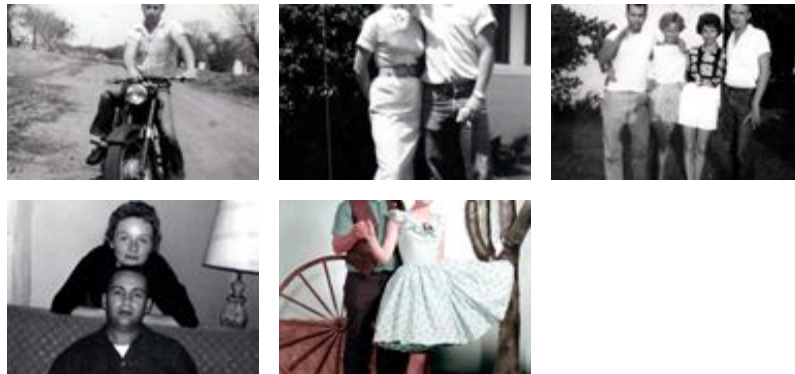
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Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - July 17, 2020 at 06:09 PM



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Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - July 17, 2020 at 04:59 PM

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“ *Brittany & Tucker Technology Inc. Team purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Thomas Gale Barnes.*



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**Brittany & Tucker Technology Inc. Team** - July 17, 2020 at  
03:42 PM