



George G. Bland

May 29, 1940 - July 16, 2019

Funeral services for George Gayle Bland, 79 of Enid, will Saturday, July 20, 2019 at 1:30 pm in the First Presbyterian Church with Reverend Andrew Long officiating. Burial with military honors will follow in Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Anderson-Burriss Funeral Home and Crematory. Visitation with the family will be Friday evening from 5:30 to 7:00 pm with a Masonic Service at 7:00 pm at the funeral home.

George was born to Vernon C. and Claudia (White) Bland in Port Arthur, Texas on May 29, 1940 and died on July 16, 2019 in Enid, Oklahoma.

He graduated from High Island High School and then served in the United States Air Force, retiring after 23 years. On July 22, 1977, he married Donna Ostermann at Randolph Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas. They moved to Enid in 1984. George began employment at Northrup in 1984, serving as club manager. He later worked for the State of Oklahoma at NORCE as a direct care specialist/Med-Aide. George retired from NORCE after fourteen years. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge #80, the 32nd at Guthrie, and a member of Akdar Shrine. George was a member of First Presbyterian Church. He enjoyed supporting the Texas Longhorns as well as the Dallas Cowboys, and loved spending time with his family and friends.

George is survived by his wife Donna, of the home; three daughters, Tanya

(Tyler) Ellis of Enid, Sheila Bland and Kimberly (Philip) Seelinger, both of Little Rock, Arkansas; son and his wife, George Bland, Jr. (Cindy) of Flower Mound, Texas; one sister, Claudia Gentile of Beaumont, Texas; ten grandchildren, four great grandchildren, other relatives and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Vernon.

Memorials may be made through the funeral home to Shriners Crippled Children Fund or OMRF-Cancer Division.

Cemetery Details

Memorial Park Cemetery

6405 Memorial Dr
Enid, OK 73701

Previous Events

Visitation with Family & Friends

JUL 19. 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Anderson Burriss Funeral Home & Crematory
3002 N Van Buren
Enid, OK 73703
(580) 233-2700
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<https://www.andersonburriss.com/>

Funeral Service

JUL 20. 1:30 PM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church
502 West Maine
Enid, OK 73701

Tribute Wall

JO

“ He was always great help while working at the state school . He had a cool and laid back demeanor . He would always call me brother when he spoke . Those memories is what I cherish . Good person he was !

JEHROME Olah - February 06, 2020 at 12:27 AM

PC

“ So sorry to hear about George. Claudia you and the family are in my thought and prayers.

Peggy McKinney Coleman - August 10, 2019 at 02:37 PM

SC

“ Donna, I am so sorry for your loss. I pray for comfort and peace for you and your family. I have come to know George as a friend on his trips into the pharmacy here at Vance. We will miss seeing him and my chats with him at our window. God Speed, George.

Scott Chance - July 22, 2019 at 09:31 AM

LS

“ Donna, Tonya and family my heart is hurting so bad to hear of George's passing, I just found out as I've been out of the office, in George's favorite state this past week, vacationing in Texas, I pray for God's everlasting comfort for your family, he will be greatly missed, he was so kind and I know heaven welcomed him home, as he would say HOOK EM, love you all. From Laurie Smart

Laurie Smart - July 21, 2019 at 02:33 PM

JC

“ Donna and Family, prayers for comfort during this difficult time. I have lots of memories of closing the Pizzeria @ Vance and bringing the money bag and accomplishing the money report nightly at the Enlisted club(yes the Clubs were separate back then, 1988) with him as one of the Club Managers. He also spread lots of laughs and joy at the Shriners Christmas Party when we attended with my daughter. If you were someone George didn't know, you knew each other before you left!! A great man! Jacque Christmas

Jacque S Christmas - July 20, 2019 at 01:04 PM

OK

“ George was a classmate of High Island Class of 1958. I had the opportunity to visit with him at our Class Reunion this past June. George, I will see you soon. Rest in Peace.

Ollie Mike Kirkpatrick

Ollie Mike Kirkpatrick - July 20, 2019 at 09:55 AM

CC

“ Donna, Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. George was a good friend and will be missed. "Hook em Horns"
Tom and Cheri Clubb

Cheri Clubb - July 19, 2019 at 09:58 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of George G. Bland.



July 19, 2019 at 08:57 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of George G. Bland.*



July 19, 2019 at 02:56 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of George G. Bland.*



July 18, 2019 at 06:41 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of George G. Bland.*



July 18, 2019 at 05:58 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of George G. Bland.*



July 18, 2019 at 02:33 PM

JG

“ George was a great guy to work with at norce he worked with me I was Jennifer cantellay now ginn and my brother Troy Bengé on rose and halfway house he was a big Texas longhorn fan Troy was big OU fan they always bet against each other on the red river games good times George rest in peace my friend my condolences to his family

Jennifer Ginn - July 18, 2019 at 10:36 AM

EH

Loved working with George at NORCE. You are a kind and gentle soul. Know the angels are singing as they have welcomed him home. Rejoice for all the years that you have had him. ♡

Elizabeth Hill - July 18, 2019 at 08:01 PM

AA

“ Our thoughts and prayers to your families at the loss of George.

AK, Shirley Armstrong - July 18, 2019 at 10:24 AM

BJ

“ Donna, so sorry to see the passing of George. He was such a nice friendly person.

*Your friend
Billie Jahnke*

Billie Jahnke - July 18, 2019 at 09:43 AM

PT

“ Donna and Tanya,

I am so, so sorry for your loss. George was very special to me and had a huge impact in my life. He was very close to a second father to me. I will miss my dear friend and fellow Longhorn buddy. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Penny Tower

Penny Tower - July 18, 2019 at 09:37 AM

KP

“ So sorry for your loss. George was such a nice man. He frequented the flower shop. Use to sell us all onions when they came in. He will be missed and we all have fond memories of him. Much love. The Huffman Floral Employees.

Karen Payne - July 17, 2019 at 09:38 PM

VF

“ Vicki Fragomeli purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of George G. Bland.



Vicki Fragomeli - July 17, 2019 at 05:41 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of George G. Bland.



July 17, 2019 at 03:55 PM