



## Gilbert Eugene Pralle

December 12, 1932 - April 25, 2020

A Memorial service for Gilbert Pralle, 87 of Fairmont will be held Monday, May 4, 2020 at 10:00am at Anderson-Burriss Funeral Home in Enid for immediate family only. Pastor Mark Blakeman will be officiating. Afterward there will be a graveside service at Zion Lutheran Cemetery, Fairmont, also with Pastor Blakeman.

Viewing will be Friday and Saturday from 8:00 am to 6:00pm and Sunday, from noon to 6:00pm at Anderson-Burriss Funeral Home.

Gilbert was born December 12, 1932 on the family farm outside Fairmont, Oklahoma to Raymond Henry and Kathryn Martha (VanHauen) Pralle and passed away on April 25, 2020 in Enid.

Gilbert attended Fairmont Lutheran school through the 8th grade before transferring to Garber High School where he graduated in 1950. On June 7, 1953, he married his sweetheart Marilee Joan Metcalf in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Enid, and they made their home in Fairmont. He was a lifelong member of Zion Lutheran Church in Fairmont and served on the Finance board for many years. Gil worked in steel and industrial supply in both purchasing and sales at Hackney Iron & Steel, Speedstar, AAT Supply, Allied Bearing and G & C.

Music was always a big part of Gil's life. At 16, along with his dad he played fiddle for Joe Schad and The Death Valley Riders and later he played fiddle and trumpet with Jim Hannon and the Oklahoma Country Boys. He especially treasured the years he played drums and vocals with his brother Wendell. As The Pralle Brothers, they entertained at many nightclubs and dances in Oklahoma.

Gilbert was preceded in death by his wife Marilee, his parents, and his brother and best friend Wendell.

He is survived by his three children, Lynn Graham (and husband Rick), Valerie O'Dell (and husband Lance), and Derek Pralle (and wife Sarah) all of Cincinnati, OH. He is also survived by his two beloved grandsons, Zachary Graham (and wife Lisa) and Jared Graham, of Cincinnati, OH; his dear sister-in-law, Joyce Pralle of Enid; special nieces Kim Hughes, Diana Postier and Lisa Alwert, and many other relatives and friends.

Memorials may be made through Anderson-Burriss to Hospice Circle of Love or Fairmont Zion Lutheran Church.

## Cemetery Details

### Zion Lutheran Cemetery

Fairmont, OK

## Previous Events

### Funeral Service

MAY 4. 10:00 AM (CT)

Anderson-Burriss Funeral Home  
Enid, OK

# Tribute Wall

AN

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Anderson-Burris - May 04, 2020 at 12:35 PM

JS

*Sympathy and love to all of you.*

Judy Sattelmeyer - May 04, 2020 at 04:25 PM

RG

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Rick Graham - May 03, 2020 at 02:52 PM

LA

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Lisa Alwert - May 02, 2020 at 05:09 PM

SG

*The gift of music from a sweet man. Good job, Gill!. i*

susan graham - May 03, 2020 at 04:20 PM

VO

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Valerie O'Dell - May 01, 2020 at 10:57 PM

RG

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Rick Graham - May 01, 2020 at 11:48 AM

JP

“ *My dear nieces and nephews, I am so sorry you cannot be here at this time but now he is at peace and you have all your memories of him. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

joyce pralle - April 30, 2020 at 07:08 PM

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Valerie O'Dell - April 30, 2020 at 12:24 PM

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“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gilbert Eugene Pralle.



April 30, 2020 at 11:46 AM

RG

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Rick Graham - April 30, 2020 at 11:14 AM

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**Rick Graham** - April 30, 2020 at 11:13 AM

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**Lisa Graham** - April 30, 2020 at 11:13 AM

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**Valerie O'Dell** - April 30, 2020 at 10:51 AM

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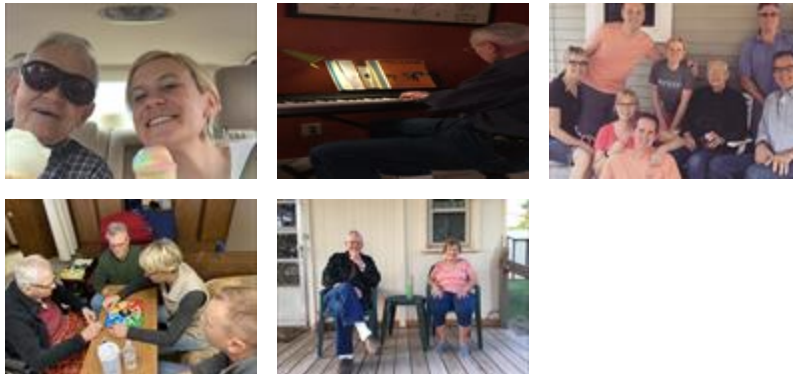


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**Valerie O'Dell** - April 30, 2020 at 10:40 AM

LG

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**Lisa Graham** - April 30, 2020 at 10:25 AM

SM

“ *I'm so sorry to hear of Gilbert's passing! I saw him within the last year at the Commons. Still just as polite and nice as always, a real gentleman. Prayers for Lynn, Valerie, Derek and their families. It's such a difficult thing to deal with. My thoughts and prayers are also with Joyce and her girls and families. Gilbert and Wendell were both so dedicated to their families, and to each other.*

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**Selena McGuire** - April 29, 2020 at 09:26 PM

AA

“ *Our thoughts and prayers to your families at the loss of Mr. Pralle.*

AK, Shirley Armstrong - April 28, 2020 at 11:06 AM

JB

*Our prayers and thoughts go out to Mr Pralles family.I know this is a sad time but I pray that our heavenly Father comforts you at this time and days ahead.*

Jennie Bengé - April 29, 2020 at 07:31 PM

JG

*Prayers for Lynn, Valerie & Derek. We Loved Gilbert like family. Thank you Lord for taking him to his Final Home in Heaven! He is Singing with the Angels!*

Jean Gash - April 29, 2020 at 08:02 PM

SA

*Prayers for the family for peace and safety as this most difficult time.*

Susan (Reinhardt) Auldridge - April 29, 2020 at 08:53 PM

LW

*What a happy man Gilbert is and father to 3 beautiful children, You girls look just like your beautiful mother ! and Derek, you look as handsome as your dad. Awesome pictures !  
Thank you for letting me be a small part of your dad's life while in Fairmont.  
I will let you know that his hollyhock seeds are planted in my garden !  
Linda Woodruff*

Linda woodruff - May 03, 2020 at 01:52 PM