



Orvel Ray Shook

July 5, 1939 - July 22, 2015

Sam's club lost a loyal customer on July 22, 2015. Orvel Ray Shook of Covington, Oklahoma, was called to his Eternal home to be reunited with friends and family that he hasn't seen in a long time. Celebration of Life service for a life well lived will be held for Orvel Ray Shook, 76, at 2 p.m. Sunday, July 26, 2015, at First United Methodist Church in Covington. Cremation arrangements are by Anderson Burriss Funeral Home and Crematory. Orvel was born on July 5, 1939 in Alex, Oklahoma, to Abe and Mary Shook and grew up on a farm south of Rush Springs, Oklahoma. He graduated from Cameron University and then earned a Master's degree in education from Central State University. He taught history (a lifelong favorite subject) and coached every sport imaginable and even accepted a position as a swim coach when he himself could barely swim. Sports were also a lifelong passion whether he was playing, coaching or watching them (depending on his stage in life). After retiring from coaching, he bought a grocery store in Covington, L and O Market, in order to feed his growing teenage son. They sold the store and he tried out retirement. After painting the house three times in one year, he decided to get a job at Ditch Witch to keep him busy until 2000, when cancer forced him to retire for good. Orvel will be remembered for his humor, his love of family, news of any kind, picnics (well, food in general), coca-cola, otherwise known by him as "nectar of the gods", and quoting movies, songs and various age old sayings. One of his favorite pastimes was working in his shop, but his wife learned early on to be careful what she asked

for because if she asked for a toothpick, she would get a 2x4! You could always count on him to be wearing his favorite clothes which were elastic waisted windsuit pants, polo shirts with a pocket to hold his glasses and New Balance tennis shoes. He loved to listen to his daughter sing, debate with his son, watch his grandkids play, but most of all he enjoyed just being with his wife affectionately known by him as that "little old gray haired lady". Micah 6:8 sums up the way Orvel lived his life and how he taught his children to live. "He has shown you, O man, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." He is survived by his wife, Lois; three children Bruce and his wife Lynn of Choctaw, Brenda "Bre" of Midwest City, and Camilla Fisher of Perry, and five grandchildren, Jake, Chrystopher, Mackenzie, Macy, and Bailey; and siblings, Wally Shook and wife Lorene of Ninnekah, Kay Wauhadooah and husband Don of Anadarko, Debbie James and husband Randy of Alex, and Rick Shook of Norman. He was preceded in death by his parents, and sister Doris Shook. Memorials may be made to OMRF-Cancer and Lupus division.

Tribute Wall

JU

“ We were sorry to hear Orvel had passed away, will never forget all the times he would come to see you while you were working at the hospital. You could always see the great love you had for each other. You were blessed to have each other and I know what a loss this must be for you. Put your loss in God's hands and he will get you through the pain. Thinking of you and your family and you are all in our prayers.

Judy - July 28, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TV

“ Knew a lot of people at C.M.W in the forty years I worked there, Orvel is one guy I'll never forget. I think about our conversations often. The world lost a good man. Condolences to his family.

Tim Vaughan - July 27, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GE

“ Orvel Ray Shook

gerald - July 26, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ You will be missed Orvel Shook. You were a good husband and father for sure. It was a great pleasure to have known you and may God be with your family at this time. Orvel blessed everyone he knew with joy and laughter and a very kind heart.

Dianna Haney - July 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DU

“ We will never forget all the fun we had learning to square dance with the shooks. Orvel never quit laughing or talking. He was a great person, and left a mark on many lives

Duane - July 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Shook was a wonderful person, he will be missed.

Barron and Marylyn Thayer - July 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CO

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Mr. Shook was an amazing man. I always loved joking around with him. I have several fond memories of him. He will be greatly missed.

Connie - July 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NT

“ To the Shook family, I am deeply sorry for your loss and for the loss of a wonderful man in our little town. He will be greatly missed. Praying for you all.

Nancy Thompson - July 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ For this life that has blessed others in countless ways, loving God, we give you thanks. For the love and prayers of family and friends and God's own presence to bring strength and peace to all who grieve, Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Ruth Atterberry - July 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM