



Charles Claybrook

March 25, 1939 - September 9, 2024

A graveside service for Charles Thomas Claybrook has been scheduled for 1:00 PM on Wednesday, September 18, 2024 at Resthaven Cemetery in Sperry, Oklahoma.

Charles Thomas Claybrook was born on Saturday, March 25th, 1939 in Tulsa Oklahoma to parents Elbert (Bud) Claybrook and Lottie Irene (Barlow) Claybrook. He passed from this life to his heavenly home on Monday, September 9th, 2024.

Charles grew up in the Tulsa area. He graduated from Will Rogers High School in 1958. He has remained friends with many from his class over the years. He briefly attended OSU for business before serving in the United States Army from November 1961 until November 1963. When assigned his active duty position, the question was asked, "Can anyone type?" He was the only one who could so he filled that position and was stationed in Abilene, Texas at a missile base.

Charles met his wife Sherry at his church where he led the music and her mother played the organ. They were married April 19, 1981 beginning a life of ministry together for over 43 years.

Charles grew up in the restaurant business; his father owned and managed the Silver Castle at 3rd and Lewis. At a young age, he learned much working in the kitchen. One thing his dad told him was, "Son, whatever you do, don't go into the restaurant business!" But that's exactly what he did. For many years, he owned and managed his own business, Claybrook's Restaurant in

Turley. He was hard working, always covering a shift when someone didn't show up. He had hundreds of faithful customers and was well liked by all who knew him. There wasn't anything on the menu that wasn't good. Especially his hamburgers. After he sold his business, he went into food sales. He earned many achievement awards throughout his career in sales with Wm. E. Davis, which later became the U.S. Food Service. Retiring from U.S. Food Service after almost 30 years, he then worked in vending and marketing as he started slowing down a little. Charles had a hard time sitting still and always wanted to keep busy. Finding retirement life a bit dull, he drove for Enterprise Rental Cars for a few years.

Charles always had a smile on his face. He had a quick wit and a playful sense of humor; he loved to tell jokes, some funnier to him than to anyone else. He will be remembered for his contagious smile and magnetic personality.

Charles and Sherry traveled together and experienced much as a result of his hard work throughout the years. He enjoyed playing golf, fishing and watching all sports on TV. Charles had a heart and passion for sharing God's word every chance he got. He was a soul winner for Christ. He served as a volunteer for Arms Around BA where he was an encourager and shared God's word with many. Charles was also a member of the Gideons International for a few years. He was a Sunday school teacher for over 40 years until a time he was no longer able to continue due to health reasons. He spent many hours pouring over God's word, studying and preparing to teach. He loved the scriptures and committed much to memory over the years. His quiet time was most important to him.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Gideon International, P.O. Box 97251, Washington, D.C. 20090-7251.

Those he leaves to cherish his memory are

Wife, Sherry

Sister, Chrissy

Children, Tammy (Claybrook) Kibble of West Rotanda, FL; Scott Claybrook of Pryor, OK; Tony Claybrook of Garland, TX;

Stacy (Calvert) Amenta of Tulsa, OK; Richard Calvert and wife Jennifer of Chouteau, OK

Grandchildren, Christopher and wife Candice Nickles of Punta Gorda, FL; Dillion, Travis and Myracle Claybrook of Pryor; Daniel, Elise and Emma Amenta of Tulsa; Sophia Calvert of Chouteau

Great-grandsons Logan and Derick Nickles of Punta Gorda

Many cousins, nieces, nephews and a host of friends

He was preceded in death by his parents, Bud and Irene Claybrook, brothers Larry, Ronny and David, baby sister Shirley, nephew David and daughter-in-law Kathy.

Cemetery Details

Rest Haven

1609 W. 103rd Street N.
Sperry, OK 74073

Previous Events

Viewing

SEP 17. 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home
1660 South Elm Place
Broken Arrow, OK 74012
(918) 258-9623
hayhurstfuneralhome@gmail.com

Visitation

SEP 17. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Graveside Service

SEP **18**. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

LC

“ Charles taught my wife’s and mine church couples class. He was always prepared and the best. He was a great Christian and my good friend. Best to you Sherry, along with our prayers. In His service, Lon & Sharon Critchfield 🕊

Lon Critchfield - November 21, 2024 at 12:47 PM

GM

“ Gary Mackey lit a candle in memory of Charles Claybrook



Gary Mackey - September 27, 2024 at 01:40 PM

CE

“ Charles and Maria Elliott purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of Charles Claybrook.



Charles and Maria Elliott - September 13, 2024 at 03:02 PM

MB

“ Milly Barlow lit a candle in memory of Charles Claybrook



Milly Barlow - September 12, 2024 at 04:21 PM

BP

“ *Bob and Linda Philbrick purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Charles Claybrook.*



Bob and Linda Philbrick - September 12, 2024 at 03:06 PM

BP

“ *In 1999, we moved to Broken Arrow, Ok. And visited First Baptist Church. Charles showed up for a visit to our home and asked if we knew how to get to Heaven. We have been Christian's all our lives and nobody had asked us this question. Thankfully, we had the answer. Charles became our Sunday School teacher and he and Sherry became our life long friends, even though we no longer live in the area. Charles was a true Warrior of God and never stopped sharing his faith with others. There is a special place in Heaven for Charles singing praises to The Lord. Charles and Sherry are wonderful examples of Christians who lived their faith.*

Bob Philbrick - September 12, 2024 at 03:00 PM

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“ *One of my favorite memories of Charles occurred on an evening with our Chinese student friends. He tried several times to pronounce one of the names, but found it impossible to "just say it". So, he said, "I am just going to have to call you (American name.)." Everyone laughed and it added a lovely dimension to the evening. He will be missed by many and remembered for a long time by his friends. Love to you, Sherry and family.*

Linda Fore - September 11, 2024 at 02:21 PM

CN

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Candice Nickles - September 11, 2024 at 09:20 AM

CN

“ So grateful for the memories we have with Grandpa Charles over the years. He was a good man who loved his family. He will be missed. The Nickles Family



Candice Nickles - September 11, 2024 at 09:14 AM

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“ One of my favorite times was playing golf with him his jokes and the love he always showed to me will always be immeasurable. I've been in this family for over 30 years and he always made me feel a part of it. I love him and I will miss him. Till we meet again love always Mac (niece- in - law) ❤️🙏🥰 best uncle I've ever had. My deepest condolences and heart felt prayers and love aunt Sherry.

Lonanetta Claybrook (Mac) - September 10, 2024 at 11:43 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Hayhurst Funeral Home - September 10, 2024 at 01:50 PM



“ It is our honor and privilege to serve the Claybrook family and to provide this permanent tribute website in memory of Charles.



Hayhurst Funeral Home - September 10, 2024 at 08:22 AM