



Dennie Manley

June 27, 1946 - June 10, 2026

Dennie Eugene Manley was born on June 27, 1946, in Portland, Oregon to Carl “Eugene” and Loreta Manley. He passed peacefully from this life on June 10, 2026.

Dennie and his family spent the first 13 years of his life in Portland. In 1959, Dennie

moved with his parents and brothers to Vinita, Oklahoma, to be closer to family. He

attended Vinita Public Schools, graduating in 1964. Dennie continued his education at

Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College, earning an associate’s degree, and later

received a bachelor’s degree in Political Science from Northeastern State University. A

few years later, he ran into high school classmate, Margaret Koon, asked her out on a

date and their courtship began. In April 1970, they married and moved to Tulsa with

Margaret’s young daughter, Fauna. In August of 1975, they welcomed their first

daughter together, Marla Annette.

Dennie dedicated nearly 30 years of service to Unit Rig & Equipment

Company, working as a Purchasing Manager before the company closed its Tulsa facility. He later worked for Turpen and Associates until 2013. Retirement, however, did not slow him down.

Dennie continued working part time as a bus aide for students with special needs at Broken Arrow Public Schools, a role he enjoyed until his final retirement in 2019.

Anyone who met Dennie would quickly learn of his love for the St. Louis Cardinals. He was even known to miss a few of his grandson's baseball games so he could catch

"America's team" as he called them on the television. He was also an avid fan of OU

Sooner football and OKC Thunder basketball. Dennie was passionate about taking

care of his lawn - mowing it and picking up the leaves. However, nothing brought him

more pride and joy than his daughter and grandchildren. He had specialized license

plates made for his car after each grandchild was born letting the world know he had a

new grandson, and then a new granddaughter. In his eyes, they could do no wrong and

he would light up anytime they walked in the room to visit.

Though he could be strong-willed and straightforward, his family knew his words always

came from a place of love. His advice to anyone was "Always tell the truth, because if

you don't have your word; you don't have anything." Dennie's big smile,

hilarious sense

of humor, and unwavering devotion to those he loved will be deeply missed.

The Manleys would like to express our deepest gratitude to Chloe, Kevin, and Erikah of

Good Shepherd Hospice as well as the staff at Prairie House Assisted Living for their

compassionate care, guidance, and support for Dennie and our family during the last 24

months.

Dennie is survived by his wife, Margaret Manley; his daughter and son in law, Marla and

Brad Warwick; grandson Braedan Warwick and wife Karlee as well as his great-

grandson expected to arrive in October; granddaughter Bradlee Warwick; stepdaughter

Fauna Griffith (Jim), grandchildren Michael and Katelyn Shepard; and his brother Daryl

Manley. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother Jerry Manley.

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

329 East Eastern State Hospital Road
Vinita, OK 74301

Previous Events

Viewing

JUN 16. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Hayhurst Funeral Home created a Funeral Service in memory of Dennie Manley



Hayhurst Funeral Home - June 10 at 03:53 PM

JP

“ I worked with Dennie at Unit Rig for 7 years in the Customer Service Department in the 70's. I, along with a couple of other girls typed the customer orders (using carbon paper, no less) for 8-9 guys who took orders from various US regions and Canada. These were to be sent to various departments for order fulfillment and shipment processing. As mentioned in the video I watched, Dennie was very particular and proofread every line we typed. Let's just say he made me a better typist :o) He and I carpoled to work during the gas shortage days since we lived close to each other in east Tulsa. He even sold his blue and white van to my husband and me. Of course it was in tip top shape!! Marla - I remember, well, the day you were born. His face was just beaming when he showed us pictures - actual pictures not like the ones on cell phones. He was, truly, a wonderful person and I am so glad he was part of my life and my memories.

My deepest condolences to all of his family.

Jacque Patterson

Jacque Patterson - June 26 at 09:16 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Video Tribute



Hayhurst Funeral Home - June 16 at 12:48 PM



“ Love, Jeff, Jen, Brody & Cole purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Dennie Manley.



Love, Jeff, Jen, Brody & Cole - June 15 at 08:50 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Dennie Manley.



June 15 at 09:40 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dennie Manley.



June 12 at 02:21 PM

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“ *Eva Jane and Mike Webb. Natalie, Landon purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Dennie Manley.*



Eva Jane and Mike Webb. Natalie, Landon - June 11 at 06:04 PM

LP

“ *Larry and Kristal Powell purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Dennie Manley.*



Larry and Kristal Powell - June 11 at 02:25 PM

LP

“ *Larry and Kristal Powell planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennie Manley.*

Larry and Kristal Powell - June 11 at 02:25 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Dennie Manley.*



June 11 at 12:29 PM