



## Duane Koschmeder

November 23, 1940 - January 22, 2024

Duane George Koschmeder of Tulsa, OK passed away peacefully on January 22, 2024 after his health declined at 83 years old.

He was born on November 23, 1940 to George Frederick and Irene Dorothy Koschmeder (nee Oltrogge) on the family farm in Readlyn Iowa. "Born in the living room on the family sofa" as his mother would often remind everyone. He was one of three children; one older sister, Dorothy Schuler of Independence Iowa, and one younger sister, Carol Rae Woodbury of Council Bluffs Iowa.

After graduating from Waterloo West High School he then went on to earn a Bachelor of Arts from The University of Northern Iowa in Accounting and would spend over 50 years as an accountant in the Oil and Gas industry, primarily in Oklahoma.

On November 20, 1965 he married Billie Jeanne Bevard of Waterloo, Iowa and together they would raise two children. A son, Mark Koschmeder of Tulsa and daughter, Denae Koschmeder of Broken Arrow.

In 1963 he entered the Iowa National Guard with the 47th Infantry Division>>34th Infantry Brigade>>133 Infantry Regiments>>1st Battalion.

After completing basic training at Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri he returned again in 1965 for training as a Field Communication Crewman and achieved the rank of Specialist, then Sergeant. He would go on to volunteer to be a Drill Sergeant during his tenure before he was Honorably Discharged in 1971.

After spending 30 years with Sunoco Oil, and 5 years with American Electric and Power in multiple accountancy and supervisory roles, he would end his career with another 14 years with Targa Pipeline as a Right-of-Way accountant. Along the way he would earn a series of achievements in his field including earning licenses as a Certified Public Accountant, Certified Financial Planner, Certified Managerial Accountant, and Certified Internal Auditor. He was a member of the Oklahoma Society of CPA's, served on the Board of Directors of Western Sun Federal Credit Union in the late 1980's and early 1990's, and would return to the institutions Board of Advisors the 2000's.

On weekends you could find him at home working around the house, drinking Coors beer, and smoking his pipe packed with Carter Hall brand tobacco. His love of woodworking and home improvement projects would lead him to a 20-year part time position at Home Depot, where his family was convinced he only worked there for the employee discount.

He was preceded in death by his parents and wife Billie. He is survived by his sisters Dorothy and Carol, as well as his son Mark, daughter Denae and her wife Kellie Palmer.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations can be made to:

Porta Caeli House, <https://portacaeli.org/donate/>

Wounded Warrior Project, <https://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/donate>

or Broken Arrow Neighbors, <https://baneighbors.net/>



# Previous Events

## Viewing

JAN 28. 2:00 PM - 4:30 PM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home  
1660 South Elm Place  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012  
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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



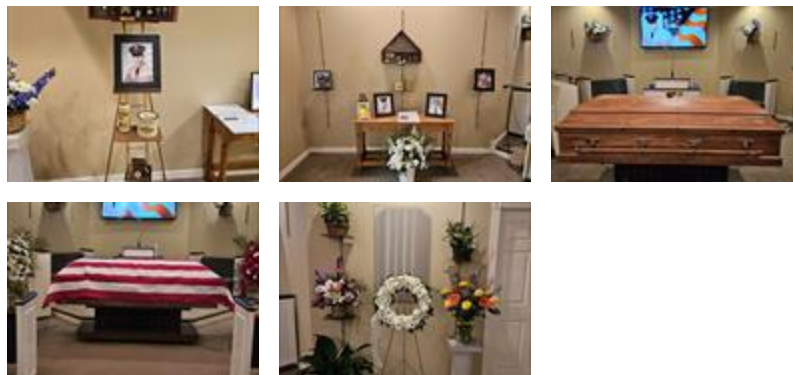
“ Hayhurst Funeral Home created a Funeral Service in memory of Duane Koschmeder



Hayhurst Funeral Home - January 29, 2024 at 04:02 PM

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“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



Kellie Palmer - January 30, 2024 at 08:57 PM

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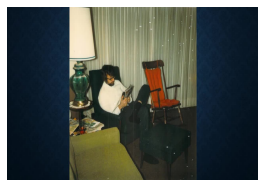
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mk - January 29, 2024 at 09:18 PM

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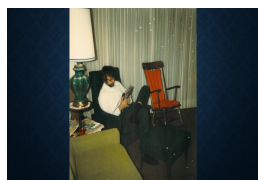
“ 1 file added to the album Memorial Video



Denae - January 29, 2024 at 07:55 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album Photos



Denae - January 29, 2024 at 07:49 PM

JB

“ *My uncle Duane was always funny or at least he thought he was. He always like to give me crap and tease me even when I got older. I will miss you.*

Jeremy Bevard - January 29, 2024 at 05:05 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Duane Koschmeder.*



January 27, 2024 at 09:33 PM

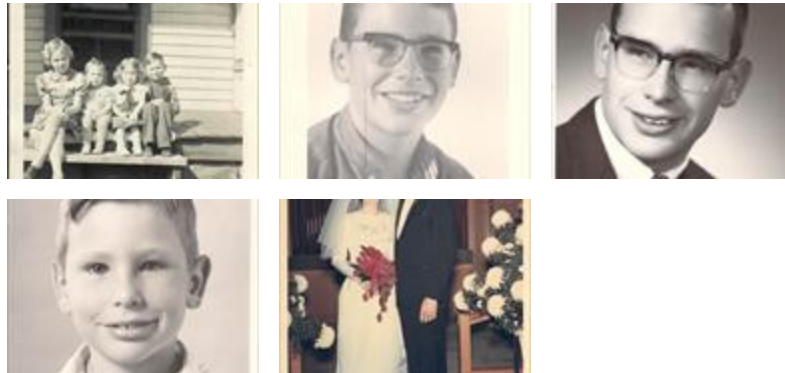
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“ *The family will be at Hayhurst on Sunday the 28th from 2pm to 3pm during the viewing hours (2-4:30pm). Dad wore suits and ties during the work week but on the weekends, when he wasn't working in the garage, he wore jeans, a jean jacket, western belt and cowboy boots. This is how Mark and I remember him most so that's how Dad will be buried. As a tribute to him, Mark, Kellie, and I will be wearing similar attire.*

Denae - January 27, 2024 at 07:03 PM

MK

“ 24 files added to the album Photos



MK - January 25, 2024 at 11:32 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Duane Koschmeder.



January 25, 2024 at 08:27 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Duane Koschmeder.



January 25, 2024 at 05:28 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Duane Koschmeder.*



January 25, 2024 at 05:12 PM



“ *Love, Ron and Jane Palmer planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Duane Koschmeder.*

**Love, Ron and Jane Palmer** - January 25, 2024 at 05:12 PM



“ *I worked with Duane for 12 years, and he was such a kind man! He was like an extra grandpa. He watched me get married and have two children while we worked together. We will miss him very much. Our uplifting thoughts and prayers are with his family. ❤️*

**Jennifer Renee** - January 24, 2024 at 10:07 PM



*I worked with Duane at Atlas/Targa and we became friends. His sense of humor and kindness was one of a kind! I will miss him deeply. Vicki*

**Vicki Smart** - January 25, 2024 at 01:03 PM



“ *Hayhurst Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Duane Koschmeder*



**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - January 22, 2024 at 12:50 PM



“ *It is our honor and privilege to serve the Koschmeder family and to provide this permanent tribute website in memory of Duane.* ”

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**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - January 22, 2024 at 12:49 PM