

## Phil Pratt

January 24, 1949 - September 18, 2022

Phillip Wade Pratt, 73, passed away Sunday September 18th in Tulsa, OK. He was born January 24, 1949, in Elk City, OK to Wade and Blanche Pratt. He was the oldest of 3 sons. He was baptized as a teenager at First Baptist Church in Butler, OK.

Phil graduated as salutatorian from Butler High School in 1967. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Oklahoma State University (OSU) in 1971, followed by a Master's in Plant Pathology in 1977. While attending OSU, he became a member of the fraternity of Alpha Gamma Rho, where he made many lifelong friends. Phil began working for OSU Extension Service in 1975. During his career, he spent many years working as the Area Extension Plant Pathologist for Northeast Oklahoma. He later became County Director of the Tulsa County Extension Program. In 2010 he was elected president of the National Association of County Agriculture Agents. He retired after 35 years with OSU.

In 1976, Phil married the love of his life, Mary Carole Mayhall. They settled in Muskogee and raised 3 sons. Clint was born in 1979 followed by a set of twins, Jason and Justin in 1983.

Phil enjoyed hunting and fishing with his friends, watching OSU sports, working cattle, reading, lawn care and gardening, outside grilling with his family, and playing with his grandkids. He will be deeply missed by his family

and many friends.

He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend. He is preceded in death by his father Wade Pratt. He is survived by his wife of 46 years Mary Carole Pratt of Broken Arrow; his mother Blanche Ford of Weatherford; children, Clint Pratt and wife Jenny of Stillwater, Jason Pratt and wife Inna of Jenks, Justin Pratt, and wife Katie of Broken Arrow; his grandchildren Grayson, Penelope, Caleb, Nathanael, Vance, Isaac, Ethan, Aiden and Clara; his siblings, Dennis Pratt and wife Jennie of Edmond, Kevin Pratt and wife Tamra of Shellknob, MO.

Funeral services are under the direction of Hayhurst Funeral Home 1660 S Elm Pl, Broken Arrow, OK 74012. Condolences may be made to the family online at [www.hayhurstfuneralhome.com](http://www.hayhurstfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Memorial Park Cemetery

5111 S. Memorial Dr.  
Tulsa, OK 74145  
(918) 627-0220  
<http://memorialparktulsa.com>

# Previous Events

## Viewing

SEP **22**. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Visitation

SEP **22**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home  
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Broken Arrow, OK 74012  
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## Funeral Service

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SEP **23**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

First Methodist Church  
112 E. College Street  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012

## Graveside Service

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SEP **23**. 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Memorial Park Cemetery  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Phil Pratt*

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October 23, 2023 at 01:21 AM



“ *Deepest condolences to you and your family in the loss of Phil. I so enjoyed getting to know you both when I was the northeast director during his NACAA presidential reign... Know that you and your family are in the hearts and minds of ag agents across the US, and we certainly lost a good 'un much too early... -Betsy Greene*

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**Betsy Greene** - September 29, 2022 at 01:30 AM

PD

“ Dear Mary Carole and family,

*On behalf of NACAA, I want to express our grief in your loss. Phil Pratt served NACAA and I'm sure, the people of Oklahoma, with distinction, dignity and creativity. I went back and read the County Agent magazine from October 2009 after Phil was installed as President in Portland. He was concerned that as an association that we remain relevant and inclusive, the same themes on which I am focusing as I begin my presidency 13 years later. Because we shared the same name, I always was interested in him. As a younger agent then, I know that I held Phil in high regard and looked up to him with respect. His legacy will remain. NACAA is a family and we miss him like a brother. If there is anything that NACAA can do for you, please let me know.*

*May God bless you and comfort you, may He be close to you and hold you up.*

*Phil Durst  
Michigan State University Extension  
President, NACAA 2022-2023*

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**Phil Durst** - September 28, 2022 at 09:01 AM



“ Our deepest condolences to the Pratt family on your tremendous loss. Just know he is now wrapped in gentle, loving arms of the Lord.  
Giselle, Isabella and William Jones.



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**Giselle Jones** - September 24, 2022 at 09:48 PM

BH

“ I am so sorry to learn of Phil's passing. I know the pain and grief that losing your best friend and soul mate or parent causes. I pray you will be filled with peace and comfort as you go forward every day,

*Belienda Hall-Garrett*

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**Belienda Sue Hall-Garrett** - September 24, 2022 at 07:51 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Pictorial Video Tribute



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**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - September 23, 2022 at 11:48 AM

SG

“ I first worked for Phil in the summer of 1977 as a student soybean, alfalfa and peanut scout on the first Integrated Pest Management Program in Oklahoma. He, Bob Hill and Ron Sholar, all Northeast District Extension specialists, taught me how to look at a field, identify problems and determine pest thresholds. We drove many miles over four counties of eastern Oklahoma in a surplus airforce MP pickup truck. No siren, but it did have a cool amber light on top. We were "on patrol" and learned so much. It inspired me to "join the ranks" of Cooperative Extension. Later, he was my boss at the Tulsa County Extension Center. Phil was always highly professional, yet a compassionate and tolerant leader of our goofy tribe of Extension workers. His sense of humor served him well and he will be sorely missed. Sue Gray

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**Sue Gray** - September 23, 2022 at 09:14 AM

AS

“ We are so sorry for your family with the passing of Phil. He will be remembered for his many roles of service to the people of Oklahoma and throughout the US. Phil was able to give direction through difficult times. He always brought a welcome boost to get togethers with family, friends, and colleagues. He was one of those who could brighten the mood for those around him with a smile and encouragement. May God's comfort be with you during this time of grief.

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**Al Sutherland** - September 23, 2022 at 12:25 AM

VF

“ Mary Carol I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Would love to hear from you soon.

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**Vickie Folsom** - September 22, 2022 at 05:30 PM

TM

“ I am truly sorry to hear of Phil's Passing, my thoughts and prayers are with all the family. I had the privilege to work with Phil at the Northeast District Office. I sure enjoyed hearing some of his hunting stories around his old stomping grounds out West. He had us all laughing! I can hear his laugh now. He was a great Family Man, we were blessed to have known him and he will be missed!

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**Tammy Mullen** - September 22, 2022 at 04:57 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Phil Pratt.



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September 22, 2022 at 04:46 PM

PF

“ I have known Phil since college. Married to my sister for 46 years, he has been a constant in my life during happy times and sad. Always kind, fun loving, dependable and funny, Phil was a great person and the best brother-in-law a person could ask for. He was like a brother to both John and me. We loved him dearly and will miss him terribly. Until we meet again, Rest In Peace, Phil.

Patricia Fechner - September 22, 2022 at 03:05 PM

PC

“ As I began my rotation on the board of the County Agents Association Phil was serving in the leadership role where he quickly became more than an associate. He became my friend. Many opportunities were shared during our meetings, meals and in hotel rooms and our friendship grew. (Perhaps his appreciation of good whiskey helped.) Soon, our wives were included when we traveled to many locales across the country and a greater admiration and friendship grew and grew.  
My sincerest condolences to Mary Carole and her family. I know Phil will be missed by everyone. This passing really hurts. Rest in Peace, Phil.

Paul H Craig - September 22, 2022 at 09:23 AM

RM

“ Rev. Dr. Pat Ryan and AFAH Ministries purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Phil Pratt.



Rev. Dr. Pat Ryan and AFAH Ministries - September 22, 2022 at 07:13 AM

(M)

“ (in card message) purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Phil Pratt.



(in card message) - September 21, 2022 at 06:16 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Phil Pratt.



September 21, 2022 at 05:25 PM

PA

“ Paul & Carol Arterbery purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Phil Pratt.



Paul & Carol Arterbery - September 21, 2022 at 02:18 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Phil Pratt.



September 21, 2022 at 01:07 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Phil Pratt.*



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September 21, 2022 at 12:55 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Phil Pratt.*



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September 21, 2022 at 12:24 PM



“ *Joey and Steve Brown, Nina Jackson purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Phil Pratt.*



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**Joey and Steve Brown, Nina Jackson** - September 21, 2022 at 10:35 AM



“ *Donald & Carolyn Daniel, & Joyce Cunnus purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Phil Pratt.*



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**Donald & Carolyn Daniel, & Joyce Cunnus** - September 21, 2022 at 08:29 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Phil Pratt.



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September 20, 2022 at 11:35 PM



“ *Mark, Rita, Gary, Linda, Julie purchased the Country Basket Blooms* for the family of Phil Pratt.



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**Mark, Rita, Gary, Linda, Julie** - September 20, 2022 at 03:44 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Phil Pratt.



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September 20, 2022 at 10:58 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes* was purchased for the family of Phil Pratt.



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September 20, 2022 at 09:21 AM

NG

“ *NACAA Flying H Hunting Group purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Phil Pratt.*



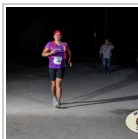
**NACAA Flying H Hunting Group** - September 19, 2022 at 10:57 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Phil Pratt.*



September 19, 2022 at 10:39 PM



“ *Phil has remained the top boss of my life. I was blessed to work beside him at OSU Extension -Tulsa County before Lilian Grace came into our world. He knew my worth and made sure I knew it. He was always trying to get me to slow down, because I always went full throttle. I consider him a dear friend and mentor, who got me! When it came time for me to turn in my two week notice because I didn't know how long we had, Phil tried to plea with me not to quit. They'd figure it all out. I knew I wouldn't be the same after Lilian died, so to tell Phil my decision stood was one of my harder moments in life. He didn't have to say many words, because he always got straight to the point. He will truly be missed!*

**Chrissy Whitten** - September 19, 2022 at 09:17 PM



“ *Lord's Prayer 44" Sonnet was purchased for the family of Phil Pratt.*



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September 19, 2022 at 08:55 PM



“ *One of my first memories of Phil was at our annual extension conference-probably 1980. A bunch of us had gathered after the day's meetings for fellowship! The jokes were hilarious and I've never forgotten the laughter that night. It was a joy to work with him and then serve Tulsa County with him while he county director. He was a good man and one of my favorite people.*

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**Charlotte Richert** - September 19, 2022 at 06:11 PM



“ *Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Phil Pratt.*



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September 19, 2022 at 04:51 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Phil Pratt.*



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September 19, 2022 at 01:20 PM

HH

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



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**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - September 18, 2022 at 03:14 PM