



## Raymond "Ray" Oberdick

August 21, 1954 - September 22, 2021

A Private Family Service for Raymond "Ray" Henry Oberdick, III will be held at the National Cemetery in Fort Gibson, Oklahoma.

Ray was born in Schenectady, New York on Saturday, August 21, 1954, the son of Raymond Henry, Jr. and Marilyn Catherine (Miller) Oberdick. He died in Tulsa, Oklahoma on Wednesday, September 22, 2021. He was 67 years of age.

Ray was a graduate of Niskayuna High School in New York. He served as an Infantryman in the United States Army for four years. He later studied business administration at Paul Smiths College in New York and then studied accounting at the University of Tulsa where he was also a member of Sigma Chi. Ray married Katherine Renee King in May of 1981 and their union was blessed with three children. He worked as a machine operator for Kimberly-Clark Corporation in Jenks, Oklahoma for over 25 years.

Ray was a wonderful cook, specializing in pasta, chili, and steak. He enjoyed watching westerns and working on crossword puzzles. He could be heard yelling at the television during OU football games. He had a heart for Penn State, as it was his father's alma mater. He was also a fan of the New York Yankees. He had an eclectic music collection and was a member of the choir in church for many years. He was playful and loved pranks with his kids. He was fiercely loyal, always serving others and putting others needs before his own. Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at [www.stjude.org/donate](http://www.stjude.org/donate).

Ray is survived by,

Children, Sarah Robinson and husband Justin, Tulsa, OK

Matthew Oberdick and wife Breanne, Oklahoma City, OK

Kristopher Oberdick and wife Lindsay, Broken Arrow, OK

Grandchildren, Lance, Chase, Benjamin, Emma Grace, Costin, Raylee,  
Kohler, Brock, Dexter, and Holland

Mother, Marilyn Oberdick, Niskayuna, NY

Siblings, Christine Oakley and husband Gary, Schenectady, NY

Elizabeth Linan and husband Mike, Austin, TX

John Oberdick and wife Dina, Columbus, OH

Pamela Gonyea and husband Bill, Saratoga Springs, NY

Todd Oberdick and wife Leah, Schenectady, NY

Numerous cousins, nephews, nieces, and other loving family

He was preceded in death by his father and aunt Phyllis Oberdick.

# Cemetery Details

## **Fort Gibson National Cemetery**

1423 Cemetery Rd.  
Fort Gibson, OK 74434  
(918) 478-2334

# Tribute Wall



“ *Raymond "Ray" Oberdick*

October 23, 2023 at 01:21 AM



“ *Love you, Dad. Thinking about you a lot lately.*

**Kris Oberdick** - April 28, 2022 at 09:45 AM



“ *Prayers for the whole Oberdick family, which was always the largest in our neighborhood.*

*Deepest sympathies,*

*Sandi Francis, formally Godfrey Lane, Niskayuna (Pam's buddy)*

**Sandra Francis** - October 20, 2021 at 10:21 PM



*Thank you, my friend!*

**Pamela Gonyea** - October 29, 2021 at 10:33 AM



“ *7 files added to the tribute wall*



**Sarah Oberdick-Robinson** - October 01, 2021 at 03:09 AM

YF

“ *Your Jenks Kimberly-Clark Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Raymond "Ray" Oberdick.*



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**Your Jenks Kimberly-Clark Family** - September 27, 2021 at 10:07 AM

SM

“ *I worked with Ray at KC for a long time on the paper machine. He was an excellent operator with a fierce pride in his ability to do his job and to help others do their job. I learned a lot from your Dad and still carry that same pride in doing the job. Ray was such a funny guy, he could crack me up with the most simple thing. Sometimes working shift work wasn't the easiest thing but with a guy like Ray on your team it made things seem okay. Your Dad could be a bright spot on a long day. I hadn't seen him since his days here at KC but when we spoke of the "old timers" that started up the paper machine he was always at the top of the list. I'm very sorry for your loss but know that Ray will be remembered for being a funny, hard working, and inspiring guy. God Bless.*

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**Steve Morgan** - September 27, 2021 at 09:25 AM

SO

*Thank you. I really appreciate your kind words and memories!*  
*Sarah Oberdick-Robinson*

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**Sarah Oberdick-Robinson** - October 01, 2021 at 03:05 AM

JM

“ I worked with Ray at Kimberly-Clark with Ray for about 18 years, Ray was such a great guy, very funny and always a great guy to have to spend a 12 hour work shift with , my condolences to his family, I am sure he was a wonderful family man

jerry Marshall - September 26, 2021 at 03:40 PM

Matt Oberdick

Thank you Jerry

Matt Oberdick - September 26, 2021 at 07:02 PM

SO

Thank you so much Jerry! Means alot he had so many friends at work!

Sarah Oberdick-Robinson - October 01, 2021 at 03:06 AM

Matt Oberdick

“ Love you dad



Matt Oberdick - September 25, 2021 at 10:06 AM

JB

Matt, I worked with your dad @ KC. We had a lot of fun and good times. So sorry to hear of his passing. My prayers go out to you and the family.

jim baird - September 26, 2021 at 03:22 PM

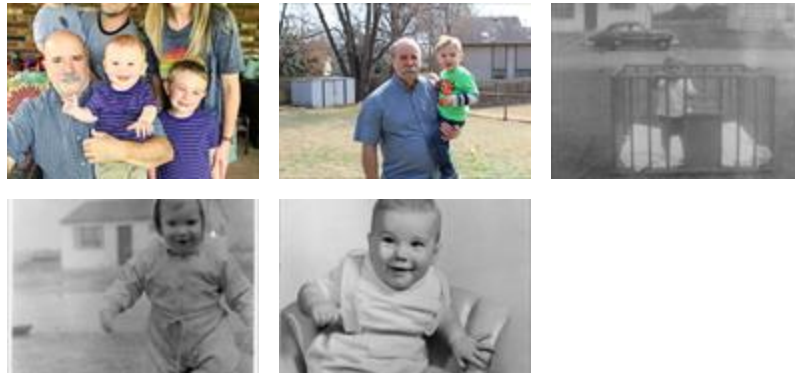
Matt Oberdick

Thank you so much Jim

Matt Oberdick - September 26, 2021 at 07:02 PM

Matt Oberdick

“ Found these in various places and thought I'd share



Matt Oberdick - September 25, 2021 at 09:59 AM

SO

“ Funny pic of Daddy asleep at work, lol. Dad in the Army and Dad in his mid twenties, look at that handsome man. Smoldering look. And that beard. Love you Daddy!



Sarah Oberdick-Robinson - September 24, 2021 at 03:58 PM

JL

Ray in the yellow hat is the one that I think looks a lot like Justin!

Jeanine Link - September 27, 2021 at 12:35 PM

CH

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Rays passing and send my sincerest condolences to his children, grand children and family. Ray was an amazing man that loved and supported his children fiercely. He was always there to be a landing place and provide support to his kids and even their friends. I recall him enjoying Wild Turkey and would get mad but not too mad if we would sneak some. Lol . When my son was just starting school he spent every before and after school day at his house. He treated Isaiah as if he was one of his grand children. Isaiah said he even called him Papa as a kid. Ray was the definition of a Man, he took care of his children as a single dad through thick and thin. Always putting them first. He will be missed immensely but I have full confidence we will see him again in heaven. Rest in Peace Ray 🙏.

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**Chrissy Hood** - September 23, 2021 at 11:33 PM

SO

Thank you Chrissy. 💜

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**Sarah Oberdick-Robinson** - September 24, 2021 at 09:48 AM

LO

Thank you Chrissy ❤️❤️

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**Lindsay Oberdick** - September 24, 2021 at 03:48 PM

 Matt Oberdick

Thank you Chrissy

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**Matt Oberdick** - September 26, 2021 at 07:04 PM

CO

“ Ray had such a gift for communicating with children. He understood them, listened to them, made them laugh, played and did all kinds of recreational activities with them, comforted, encouraged, taught, supported, and protected them. He had a calm and laid-back personality and dry sense of humor that drew adults and children to him alike and made them feel at ease with him. I am so proud of Ray’s devotion to his children and grandchildren. He was the glue that held the family together and made them all so happy. Molly says she fondly remembers her Uncle Ray’s “handlebar mustache and cowboy hat”.

*I may not have seen Ray often enough as an adult, but I will miss the essence of him and the family times we were able to spend together. I will feel the loss of his physical presence in this world, but my memories of him and his spirit will stay with me.*

*I express my deepest sympathy to Sarah, Matt, and Kris and their families, all my other siblings, and to Mom, who is feeling the loss of her son, with all her being.*

*I pray for rest and peace for you, my dear brother.*

*With All My Love,*

*Chris*

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**Christine Oakley** - September 23, 2021 at 08:07 PM

SO

*Love you Aunt Chris ❤️*

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**Sarah Oberdick-Robinson** - September 24, 2021 at 09:49 AM

SO

“Daddy, you are home, you are whole and you are free of pain.

*I love you fiercely and still can not believe this is reality, but it is.*

*You have taken care of me, literally from day ONE! You have always been "My Guy". You called me Sarah Roo Roo until the day you passed. Dad, I remember asking you why you called me that and you said "Well, you just have so much energy, like Roo from Winnie-the-Pooh" and well, you're right, I do! Lol.*

*When I came into this world you were young and in college. You made the unselfish choice to quit and take care of me/mom. You let her finish school, which always made me look for a man like you, that would let me have my dreams, no matter what they were.*

*You worked so hard for us, worked your ass off!! We lived together for 17yrs as adults. You saw me have 4 children, get married. You saw my highest highs and lowest lows and loved me the same during it all.*

*My favorite memory honestly, is when I became pregnant at 17, you took it with sadness and grace. It made me feel so safe and supported! You made me cold cherry jello, just so when morning sickness hit, I would throw up cold cherry liquid, which oddly made it a little better and we did that for the next 3 pregnancies! Along with this memory, is how, even after working 16hrs, you would make me homemade tuna sandwiches with all the fixin's and "surprise" me once a week.*

*I love you Daddy. I love your hands, because no matter how hard you worked (AND YOU DID) they were always soft and gentle.*

*I love you Daddy. You are home, you are free and you are free from pain.*

*Love your, Sarah Roo Roo*

**Sarah Oberdick-Robinson** - September 23, 2021 at 06:52 PM

ER

“ *I love you, Papa. Thank you for taking care of us, and helping everyone with everything they needed. I always loved being your shopping buddy, and sleeping over. Thank you for all of the memories I will never forget. Rest in peace.*

*- Emma G Robinson*

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**Emma Robinson** - September 23, 2021 at 06:29 PM

SO



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**Sarah Oberdick-Robinson** - September 23, 2021 at 06:52 PM



“ *Rest In Peace My Dear Big Brother. You were the best brother a little brother could ever have. You were my protector. From wrestling matches in freshman year in high school, to helping me out when I was too sick to do my paper route, you were always there looking out for me. You are in my heart always.*

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**John Oberdick** - September 23, 2021 at 06:25 PM

CO

“ *Greatest Grandparent, Parent, Friend anyone could have, always willing to help even when He didn't have much. He got me into alot of things I enjoy today.*

*My memories are scattered so it's hard to remember specific ones, Listening to Him talk about our Family history, or just history in general, He was very knowledged. He got me into tech cause I helped him with building/fixing computers, He got me into gaming around 5 or so when he'd let me play a pinball game on his computer. He got me into a lot of old music and movies, kept me calm during Heavy Storms, watching him get the water right in our pools we had. He will forever be my greatest idol. I love you Papa.*

*-Chase Matthew Oberdick*

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**Chase Matthew Oberdick** - September 23, 2021 at 05:50 PM

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**Sarah Oberdick-Robinson** - September 23, 2021 at 06:53 PM

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*Rest and Peace to you, my dear brother, with all my love.*

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**Christine Oakley** - September 23, 2021 at 07:39 PM

JW

“*Ray and I were at the Stillwater hospital waiting for the twins to be born. They took Lindsay back and Kris's followed and the double doors closed . Ray and I peered into the windows on the double doors off and on while we were waiting just to see if we could see or hear anything, It was one of these times that Ray noticed a white coat on a hook by these doors . He looked at me , then the coat and back at me. I remember the twinkle in Ray's eyes and laughter - thinking about putting that coat on , going through those doors!* 😂



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**julie woodard** - September 23, 2021 at 05:43 PM

JR

“ I want to Thank you Ray.  
You took care of my family and I as I went back to school. You helped us get through every rough spot we ever fell in... You are the most caring, loving Papa to my children and a Great father to my Loving wife.. You would do "anything " to make anyone happy or to help in any way possible. You are truly a Loved Man and will be missed dearly. Thanks for being the Best Papa Ever!!! I hope someday we will be up in Heaven trouble shooting something on a car or something, like old times haha...Til next time Ray☀️.....  
I Love you Dad... Rest easy....Peace be the Journey

Justin Robinson - September 23, 2021 at 05:43 PM

SO



Sarah Oberdick-Robinson - September 23, 2021 at 06:53 PM

SB

“ Kris and Linz had a reveal party for their twins and i was standing near Ray when he saw the blue. He gasped, put his hand over his mouth then i saw tears in his eyes. Was such a tender moment. May he rest in peace and may his family find consolation in their grief.

susan b board - September 23, 2021 at 05:24 PM

BR

“ Just back rubs from my papa and watching movies at night. Love you papa.

Benjamin Robinson - September 23, 2021 at 05:22 PM

SO



Sarah Oberdick-Robinson - September 23, 2021 at 06:54 PM

BL

“ *Rest in Peace, dear brother. This red candle represents your favorite pastime - watching OU destroy their opponents! And I enjoyed bantering with you about the Red River Rivalry. I will miss you & your UT jabs. But I get the last word - OU sucks!*



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**Beth Linan** - September 23, 2021 at 05:21 PM

KO

*BOOMER!!*

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**Kristopher Oberdick** - September 23, 2021 at 05:23 PM

CO

*SOONER!*

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**Chase Matthew Oberdick** - September 23, 2021 at 05:52 PM



*BOOMER SOONER!*

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**Matt Oberdick** - September 25, 2021 at 10:08 AM

KO

“ I love you so much, Dad. I miss you very much.

*My favorite memory of my father is really just a lot of clusters of little events, he was always there when life threw what it had at me.*

*I remember him being so strong and tough, he was truly my hero. I remember when a guy at school was picking on me and my dad asked me if I wanted him to call their parents to set up a boxing match at a gym. It never came down to it, but that's what my dad was like. He would give you all the tools necessary to succeed on your own regardless of what it took from him and he had faith in you to succeed and be better.*

*I will never forget my father's face, voice, smile, the wrinkles in the outside corner of his eyes when he smiled and squinted. His strength and determination. His compassion. The best parts of me I got from him and I will be sure to pass what he taught me along to my children.*

*I love you, Dad.*

*Kris*

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**Kristopher Oberdick** - September 23, 2021 at 04:57 PM

SO

*This is beautiful Kristopher.*

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**Sarah Oberdick-Robinson** - September 23, 2021 at 06:55 PM

HH

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



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**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - September 23, 2021 at 02:59 AM