

## Gerald " Garry" Dean Nelson

January 12, 1939 - February 5, 2017

Gerald ♦Garry♦ Dean Nelson, son of Muriel (Butler) and Everett Dean Nelson was born January 12, 1939 in Woods County, Oklahoma. He passed away peacefully at his home in Sun City West, Arizona on the 5th day of February at the age of 78 years and 24 days.

He started school in Hopeton, Oklahoma and finished in Alva, Oklahoma graduating from Alva High School with the class of 1957. He attended and studied engineering at Northwestern Oklahoma State University in Alva where he was an active member of the Army National Guard. This is also where he met his late wife Sue Jane (Nickell). They married on June 2, 1961 at Alva First Christian Church. To their marriage three children Jim, Kristy and Kathy were born. Following their marriage they made their home in Yale, Oklahoma where he worked in the oil industry for several years while co-managing his family♦s farmland in Hopeton, Oklahoma.

In 1980 he made a full return to his farming roots and purchased a farm southwest of Texhoma, Oklahoma in Sherman County, Texas. In 2014 he retired and spent his time between Creede, Colorado and Sun City West, Arizona.

He was preceded in death by his father on October 23, 1973 and his mother on January 12, 1995, his brother Mack D. Nelson April 29, 1994 and wife Sue Jane on July 7, 2011.

He is survived by his three children, Jim and LuAnn Nelson of Liberal, Kansas, Kristy and Troy Irrer of Cumming, Georgia and Kathy Nelson

Maynard of Nolensville, Tennessee; five grandchildren, Hannah and Halle Maynard, Morgan and Brooke Nelson and Paige Irrer; sister-in-law and her husband, Lynda and Terry Bixler of Waynoka, Oklahoma and sister-in-law Karen Nickell of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; sister-in-law Barbara Nelson of Alva, Oklahoma; several nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

Contributions may be made in his memory to the  
First United Methodist Church  
of Texhoma, Oklahoma  
or to the  
First Christian Church  
of Alva, Oklahoma.

# Cemetery Details

## Alva Municipal Cemetery

1698 Flynn Street  
Alva Municipal Cemetery, OK 73717

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

FEB 10. 1:00 PM (CT)

Texhoma United Methodist Church  
301 West Main  
Texhoma, OK 73949

## Family Visitation

FEB 12. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Wharton Funeral Chapel  
1302 Oklahoma Blvd.  
Alva, OK 73717

## Graveside

FEB 13. 10:00 AM (CT)

Alva Municipal Cemetery  
1698 Flynn Street  
Alva, OK 73717



# Tribute Wall



“ *Wharton Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Gerald " Garry" Dean Nelson*



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**Wharton Funeral Chapel** - February 12, 2017 at 06:54 PM



“ *Donna G. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Gerald " Garry" Dean Nelson.*

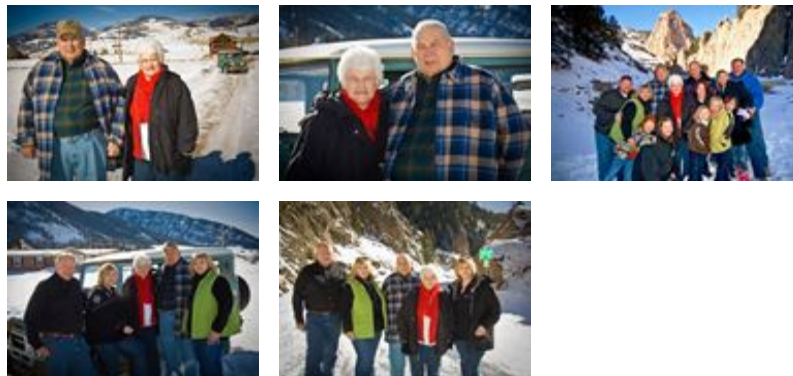


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**Donna G.** - February 12, 2017 at 05:45 PM



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**Wharton Funeral Chapel** - February 12, 2017 at 05:10 PM

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pray for the family of Gerald " Garry" Dean  
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**Greg Reimer** - February 08, 2017 at 04:03 PM