



Leo B. Myers

April 8, 1943 - February 26, 2015

Leo B. Myers was born on April 8, 1943 in Wichita, Kansas, to Lewis and Grace Jones Myers. He passed away at the Enid Integris Bass Baptist Health Center on the 26th of February at the age of 71 years, 9 months, and 18 days. He attended the Sacred Heart Catholic School in Alva through the eighth grade and graduated from Alva High School in 1961. He attended Northwestern State College where he played football and ran track before graduating in 1967 with a BS degree in Physical Education.

After graduation, Leo was commissioned into the United States Marine Corps as a Lieutenant. Following training at Quantico, Virginia, he fought with the 2nd Battalion 5th Marine Regiment. He was severely wounded in the Battle of Hue City during the Tet Offensive in February 1968, for which he was awarded his second of two Purple Hearts. During the battle he single-handedly attacked entrenched North Vietnamese soldiers with grenades for which he was awarded the Silver Star for his gallantry and distinguished service. After spending approximately a year and a half in the Naval Hospital in Corpus Christi, Texas, recovering from his wounds, he received a disability retirement from the Marines.

He then taught physical education and coached football in Chinle, Arizona. In 1978 he moved to Corpus Christi, Texas, and began working at the Texas Employment Commission in the veteran's department helping veterans find

jobs.

On July 21, 1979, he married Colleen Ann Glasgow in Alva. They made their home in Corpus Christi where they had two children, Natalie Ann and Phillip David. In 1992 they moved to Alva where he began working at Central National Bank until his retirement in 2004.

He was an avid football fan and counted the days until the new season began each year. He also loved watching old movies with his son. One of the biggest highlights of his life was his 7 month old grandson, Cash. He loved holding him and trying to teach him new things. He also insisted on seeing at least one picture of him everyday.

Leo is survived by his wife, Colleen, of the home, his daughter, Natalie and her husband, Glen Knight of Norman, his son, Phillip of Alva, his grandson, Cash Lennon Knight of Norman; his sister, Marilyn Myers of Alva, and brother, Steve Myers of Phoenix, Arizona; sisters-in-law Dana and her husband Robert Hooper of Paradise Valley, Arizona, and Kelli and her husband Jarek Kelnar of Oklahoma City. He is also survived by two nephews, one niece and other relatives and many friends.

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Previous Events

Funeral Service

MAR 4. 2:00 PM (CT)

Alva Church of God
517 9th
Alva, OK

Tribute Wall

DC

“ So sad to hear.. Great little league base ball coach & American Hero!

Don Cunningham - March 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Bill Beierschmitt has sent this Expressions of Sympathy card.

Bill Beierschmitt - March 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ Colleen, Natalie, Phillip, Marilyn and family, So sorry to hear about Leo. I always enjoyed talking to him at work. I always think of him the day after the Super Bowl. I remember him coming into work with the countdown to football season. Our thoughts are with you.

Maggie - March 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ Our prayers and thoughts will always be with you.

Antoine G Bouziden - March 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Colleen and family
I am sorry for your lose, God bless and be with you. Jane Gaskill

Jane Gaskill - March 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

VW

“ Dear Colleen, Sending prayers of comfort and peace to your family. God bless all of you in this difficult time. The video is a wonderful tribute of Leo's life.

Virgil and Lavon Wiersig - March 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MN

“ Colleen,
We are so sorry for your loss. Prayers for you and your family.
Regards,
Mary Ellen, Terry, & Lee Nutter

Mary Ellen Nutter - March 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ Leo,

I will miss you old friend. From the days in B-2 on the bank of the Potomac at PLC summer of 1966 to the streets of Hue' on the bank of the Perfume River, we shared a lot.

I honor your courage and aggressive fighting spirit. You were a credit to "Horrible Hog" 2/5.

Semper Fidelis and Requiescat in Pace.

Mike

Mike Lambert - March 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ Dear dear Leo, Wish I could have said goodbye... There are some things I would have liked to say. But sometimes it happens like this and it's a reminder to us all. It was an honor to know you, Leo, and a pleasure. Your sense of humor was a priceless gift. For your modesty, your deep understanding of just how ironic and whimsical life can be, and of the complexities of what it means to serve one's country for both the warrior and the warrior's family... For all these things I honor you. Thank you for bringing another good and loving husband, father and grandfather into our family. We will miss you and remember you forever.

Diana Glasgow - March 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Thinking of Leo's entire family...I enjoyed working with him at the bank many years ago. He was always so pleasant and fun to work with as we reconciled the ATM machines! Many thoughts and prayers to you all...

Lisa Baker - March 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Theresa Battles has sent this Expressions of Sympathy card.

Theresa Battles - March 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ My thoughts and sympathies are with you and your family during these days ahead, Colleen. I'm sorry for your loss.

Sharon Lancaster Andrews - March 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ I was very sorry to read of Leo's passing. He always was one of the good guys. Our prayers are with your family.

Jim Scribner - March 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ My prayers and thoughts are with you all. I so enjoyed working with Leo at the bank. He was a character and will not be forgotten!

Pat Frascht - March 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Colleen, Natalie & Phillip,
I was saddened to hear of Leo's passing. I really enjoyed working with him at the bank. Every Friday morning I'd hear him say "TGIF" and almost every day I'd get to hear him say "Praise the Lord and pass the ammo!". He always had me laughing. Many prayers for you all during this time.

Diane McAlpin - March 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Sending prayers to your family! Leo was a kind and a great guy to work with! On his desk he would put out his little sign that said TGIF! I always smile and commented on his sign! Great memories! The Lord is getting a special guy ! May God be with you in this time.

Barbara Sacket - March 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SJ

“ Natalie you are a wonderful daughter. I have know you for sevral years. His light shines though you. Prayers to you and your family.

Sheri Jackson - March 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CE

“ *It just doesn't seem real that you've left us Rumatiz...you were a dear friend who loved to tease me an loved to be teased...I will miss you deeply....my Prayers for Strength to Colleen, Natty an Phillip....*

Charlotte Holt Edwards - March 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM