



Alton Lee Bass

November 17, 1934 - November 9, 2022

Alton Lee Bass, age 87 of Purcell, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, November 9, 2022. Alton was born November 17, 1934 in Duncan, OK, the youngest of 3 children born to Willie Winfred Bass and Linnie Mae (Cardwell) Bass. He was raised in Duncan and attended school there. He learned the value of hard work at a very young age by working on the family farm and delivering newspapers. He then ventured to Wichita, KS to work for Boeing Aircraft, while there he married Betty Holloway and had his first son, Kenneth. He later returned to Duncan and started Bass Oil Company, which he ran with his Dad. He later met Barbara Sue Nickell, while operating the Champlin Service Station. They were married on July 2, 1966 in Pauls Valley and had a son, Arvil and daughter, Roberta. In 1974, they relocated to Purcell where they raised the family. Alton was a self-made man and work was his hobby. In 1971 he became the owner/operator of Reliable Refrigeration Company in Norman, a company his son, Kenneth and grandson, Craig run today. Even at home, Alton was working. He raised livestock and bailed a lot hay on his little Ponderosa. Being on the tractor or working in the barn were his happy place. He was a man of great faith and longtime member of the New Life Tabernacle in Purcell. Alton cherished Sue, his children and especially his grandchildren, as he enjoyed following them in their various activities. Alton loved to help others, and yet was always reluctant to accept it himself. He was a wonderful husband and father, grandfather, great grandfather, uncle and friend. He will be dearly missed!

He was preceded in death by: his parents, Willie and Linnie Bass and siblings, Eugene and Travis Bass.

Alton is survived by: his wife, Barbara Sue Bass of the home; daughter, Roberta Yadon and husband Steve of Purcell; sons, Kenneth Bass and wife Kathlene of Noble and Arvil Bass and wife Patti of Owasso; 8 grandchildren, Craig Bass (Chelsea), Hannah Elmore (Patrick), Caleb Bass, Zachary Bass, Joshua Yadon, Seth Yadon, Ethan Bass and Abigail Yadon; 5 great grandchildren, Austin, Payton, Leland, Eli and Kynlee; several nieces and nephews and a host of other family and friends.

Funeral Services are scheduled for 10:00 A.M. Tuesday, November 15, 2022, at Apostolic Worship Center, 3221, N. Porter Ave., Norman, OK, 73071.

Burial will follow at the Hillside Cemetery in Purcell. The family will receive friends from 5:00-7:00 P.M. Monday in Purcell, Wilson-Little. www.wilsonlittle.com

Tribute Wall

DK

“ We are so sorry to hear of your loss, our prayers are with you all as morn the loss of your father.

Dean Krehbiel - November 17, 2022 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ A dear man of God. He loved his family.

Ms. Watts - November 16, 2022 at 12:00 AM

LE

“ Uncle Alton, you have left all of us a wonderful legacy of a great man. Kindness and always a smile and your special laugh, we love you now and forever. Lora and Larry and the family.

Lora and Larry Eaglen - November 14, 2022 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Sue, Arvil Gene and Roberta,
So sorry to hear of the passing of Al. Such fond memories of living across the street on NW 15th in Moore!! What fantastic neighbors and friends you guys were.

Phyllis Brown - November 14, 2022 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ *Arvil:*
So sorry to hear of the loss of your father. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Sincerely,

David Sullivan

David - November 14, 2022 at 12:00 AM

EP

“ *Al was indeed devoted to his family. I loved to watch him at our Family Reunion auctions. He would bid against his son or grandson or granddaughter, hiking up the price to a number they could not afford. Then, when he won the bid, he would take the item to the one who lost the bid and give it to them. A win-win for his loved one and for the treasury of the reunion fund. A heart of gold...*

Rest in peace, Cousin Al.

Elaine Palmer - November 11, 2022 at 12:00 AM