



Bobby Dee Dodd

April 27, 1941 - April 1, 2024

Bobby Dee Dodd was carried by angels from his home and family to his eternal home in Heaven on April 1, 2024 after a courageous battle with Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma (cancer).

He was born on April 27, 1941 in Norman, OK, the second son of Douglas Ray Dodd and Jewel McCalip Dodd. He grew up in the Norman area and attended various schools through the eighth grade. His parents divorced at a young age. He needed to work to help pay bills and help with needs of the family. The U.S. Navy Base in Norman was in full swing after WWII so he would shine shoes of the sailors, work in bars sweeping floors and whatever odd jobs came along to earn money. He and his older brother, Dwayne Lee Dodd sometimes worked together. As time went along, other siblings were added to the family and he never got back to school. At the age of 16, in 1957, Bobby got a job at the University of Oklahoma Will Rogers Cafeteria and worked as a bus boy, then to Floor Manager/Coordinator of events and Employees.

In 1960, while working there, his friend, Joeann Beason from Lexington came to OU to work and go to school. Daily, she accompanied her fellow-workers to coffee breaks in the cafeteria. That friendship developed into a date, courtship and eventually marriage, June 1, 1962, to the love of his life. In two months they would have been married 62 years.

In 1963 he was employed by OU Duplicating Services as an offset press operator, working continuously for 31 years until his retirement in December

1995 which lasted 28 years. He received recognition for his loyalty and dedication which contributed greatly to the University excellence throughout the years. He was a trouble-shooter for much of the equipment and widely and fondly known as the pest and "trouble-maker."

In 1966 he enlisted in the U.S. Army with an MOSC of Multi Engine Airplane Repair Helicopter Mechanic (rotary and fixed winged air craft), training and working on helicopters during the Vietnam War. He was honorably discharged in 1971.

In 1966 their son, Robby Dee Dodd was born on Christmas Day (12/25/66). June 29, 1969 their daughter, Dee Ann Dodd was born. He was a devoted husband and father. He always took his family to church and faithfully emphasized the importance of serving God. He served as Sunday School Superintendent, Board Member, Usher and was a faithful supporter and worker in the Norman PCG (1962-1972) and Rose Hill Pentecostal Church of God, hardly ever missing a service in the 61 years.

He and Joeann designed and built their home which they occupied in 1978 and still live in that house. He was a self-made man, with God's help, who was committed to work and completion of projects. His incredible knowledge and expertise in mechanics of vehicles, motorcycles, lawn mowers, dirt bikes, tractors, small engines and whatever challenged him gained him a reputation of integrity of which many people availed themselves. If he didn't know how to fix it, he sought help to learn how. He lived and loved to work in his beloved garage/workshop, often having multiple projects ongoing simultaneously.

Bobby was preceded in death by his parents, Jewel and Douglas Dodd; his mother and father-in-law, Carl and Mildred Beason; his daughter, Dee Ann Dodd; his brothers, Tommy Smith and Phillip Smith; his sister-in-law, Norma Dodd; his brothers-in-law Roy Beason, Mike Rushton and sister-in-law Carlene Beason Rushton.

Survivors include his wife, Joeann Dodd; his son, Robby (Cathy) Dodd; granddaughter, Jennifer (Dustin) Clardy; his grandson, Dillon (Torri); his brother, Dwayne Dodd; his sisters, Rita Gail (Jerry) Puckett; Pat (Gary)

Larson; and Suzanne Smeltzer; his great-grands: Ryan (Anna) Clardy; Aidan & Adelynn Clardy; Deelani and Kinzley Dodd; his sister-in-law Norma Beason; brother-in-law Donald "Cap" (Johnnie) Beason and numerous other relatives and friends. His beloved dog Beau-Cephas.

The family will receive relatives and friends for a visitation from 5-7 p.m. on Thursday, April 4, 2024.

The Funeral Service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, April 5, 2024 at the First Baptist Church in Lexington under the direction of Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell. Burial will follow at Lexington Cemetery.

Tribute Wall

SB

“ I have so many memories of Bob Dodd and his family. He was always there for me and my family. When my husband was gone on active duty, I always knew I could call Bob if I needed help. The Dodds are an incredible family, along with the Beason's. I will miss you so much. JoAnn I love and the rest of the family too.

Starla Bradley - April 05, 2024 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ I thank God for allowing me to be a little part in the life of this precious man of God- Dear brother in Christ, Bobby Dodd, I cherish all the times you made me smile, every word of encouragement and the many times you and Joeann prayed together for me - Dodd family, I love you all dearly! What a glorious day when we all see Jesus and we'll all be together again! And Bob will hear every loving word from his amazing wife!

DeNellds Dees Jones - April 04, 2024 at 12:00 AM

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“ Love and prayers to Joean and the family

Dorothy Weston - April 04, 2024 at 12:00 AM

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SL

“ *The memories I will cherish, the love he showed me and my sisters will stay with me. Love all of you. Prayers for comfort, knowing that we will be rejoicing in heaven with him one day.*

Shallon LaFleur - April 04, 2024 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ *A very sweet couple we will miss Bob he always found a little something every time they came in . he's shopping with the angels we love and will miss you*

Wanda Mayden and Vida Murphy - April 04, 2024 at 12:00 AM

WB

“ *Sorry for your loss. Prayers to all.*

Woody, Pam & Kassie Baker - April 03, 2024 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ *We are so sorry for your lost. Bob's wonderful smile will be missed. Tom and I are out of town but I wanted you to know you are in our thoughts and prayers.*



Tina and Tom Burke - April 03, 2024 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I always remember bob always quacking at me just like he did my mom! It is something I will never forget and he will be dearly missed!!!*



Autumn Lake (Brown) - April 03, 2024 at 12:00 AM