



## Jerry Dan Whatley

April 30, 1944 - December 15, 2022

Jerry Dan Whatley age 78 of Purcell, passed away Thursday, December 15, 2022 at the Norman Health Plex, in Norman, Oklahoma. Jerry was born on April 30, 1944 in Purcell, OK. He was the middle child of three children born to Kenneth Eugene Whatley and Ruby Mae Shea Whatley. Jerry grew up in Purcell and graduated from Purcell High School with the class of 1962. He loved Purcell and remained living in the Purcell area all of his life. On December 15, 1969, in Purcell, Jerry married the love of his life, Shirley Louise Hackney. On the day of his passing, Jerry and Shirley had been happily married for 53 years.

Jerry loved working and being in the outdoors. His working career as an Outside Salesman for 38 years for Blanchard Building Supplies also kept him outdoors. Jerry was his happiest throughout his life when he was camping, hunting, and tournament Bass Fishing. Another favorite hobby of Jerry's was Cock Fighting. After many years of living his life his own way, Jerry turned his life over to Christ, got baptized and joined Iron Chapel Church west of Purcell. During the years of the growth of the church, Jerry was instrumental in the building of the new church that exists today. He and others dedicated countless hours of hard work in building and finishing its beautiful interior. Jerry always looked forward to meeting up with friends in the mornings for coffee and breakfast. He absolutely cherished his children and grandchildren. Jerry would like to be best remembered as a great family man. He was a wonderful husband, a loving father and grandfather, a special brother, uncle,

cousin and a dear friend to many.

He was preceded in death by: Parents, Kenneth and Ruby Whatley; 3 grandchildren, Josh Whatley and Jerrica and Christony Austin and a brother-in-law, Terry McCaskill.

He is survived by: Wife, Shirley of the home outside of Purcell, 5 children, David Whatley and wife Brandie of Muskogee, OK, AJ Whatley Matthews of Bristow, OK, Susie Whatley Walker of Lexington, OK, Christina Abbott and husband Lee of Lawton, Kelli Gomme and husband J.R. of Purcell; 2 sisters, Norma Tracey and husband Ronny of OKC, Sandy McCaskill of Purcell; 10 grandchildren, 9 great grandchildren, Many nieces, nephews and cousins and several aunts and uncles.

A Memorial Celebration of Jerry's life will be held on 11:00AM Wednesday, December 21, 2022, at Iron Chapel Church, west of Purcell. Send online condolences @ [www.wilsonlittle.com](http://www.wilsonlittle.com)

# Tribute Wall

LL

“ Jerry was all ways smiling and ready to help out from the yard. I enjoyed coffee with him and Steve on many occasions. He will be missed.

Leon Lacy - December 21, 2022 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ This man always had a smile, Jerry you may be gone but never forgotten. Your friend  
Ronald S. Austin



Ronald Stephen Austin - December 21, 2022 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ My Paw Paw will forever be my hero! I am so grateful that he saw me sober , going to college, and changing my life! I love all my family so very much!! Granny Red, I love you and I am here for you ❤️



Kenna Walker - December 21, 2022 at 12:00 AM

LU

“ My heart breaks for the family. We shared lots of good times with memories never forgotten. Jerry my friend, you will be sorely missed. I am thankful I was able to see you before you passed. My prayers to the family that the Lord give you peace, comfort and strength through this time. All my love.

Lisa Unruh - December 20, 2022 at 12:00 AM

VP

“ *Sorry for your loss.*

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**Verna Pickard** - December 19, 2022 at 12:00 AM

FS

“ *Much Love and many Prayers for Family and friends. Will not be able to make this one, Love you all*



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**Frank Shea** - December 19, 2022 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ *Many prayers and much love to all of the family! Jerry was a great man and will be missed dearly! RIP Jerry Dan! Love the Gilmore's, and Meghan and Cody Claunch.*



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**Angela Gilmore** - December 18, 2022 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ *Sending prayers and much love to all the family. My heart is broken for you all*

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**Sue Beauford Ellison** - December 18, 2022 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out too all of y'all. I'm sorry we can't make it. Know I love you all*

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**Tammy Weiland** - December 18, 2022 at 12:00 AM