



## O B Ellis

January 20, 1936 - May 5, 2022

O. B. Ellis, age 86 of Purcell, passed away Thursday, May 5, 2022. Born January 20, 1936 in Hoyt, Oklahoma, O.B. was the baby of 4 children born to Olin B. Ellis and Zula Mae (Cariker) Ellis. Like many in that time, the Ellis family moved where ever they could find work. O.B. was raised primarily in Southeastern Oklahoma, and eventually graduated from Stigler High School. He found his way to the Texas Panhandle where he began working in oil field construction. He moved to California for a time, working various jobs just to make a living. He returned home to Oklahoma and began driving a truck. At the same time, he worked for Unit Parts in Okla. City, before deciding he was away from home too much. O.B. started working for the University of Oklahoma in the Physical Plant, and later decided he wanted to go back to school. He started teaching cabinet building and construction classes for Career Tech, and simultaneously worked towards his own degree. O.B. went on to earn his Bachelor's Degree in Education from Oklahoma State University, and continued to teach for several more years. He was always a hard worker and a great provider for his family. On June 18, 1990, O.B. married the former Shirley Carr, and two families became one. Away from work, he enjoyed day trips with Shirley, sightseeing and finding new and exciting places. He truly loved the lake, and especially jug fishing at Lake Eufaula. He was a 'jack of all trades' who could literally build or fix anything, and liked tinkering on everything. He was a man of great faith, a 32nd Degree Freemason, and proud member of the Blanchard Lodge # 395. He

cherished Shirley, his children and grandchildren and was a true friend. He will be dearly missed!

# Tribute Wall

LC

“ *My deepest condolences to the family.*

Leo Cole - December 08, 2022 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *Shirley, I am so sorry for your loss! I hope being surrounded by your family & friends will give you some comfort & peace. O.B. was so special & will be missed by all. Marilyn*

Marilyn Williams McReynolds - May 10, 2022 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ *We will miss our Uncle OB. He was so loving and kind to all his family and friends. Our hearts, thoughts and prayers are with you and all the family.*

Ron and Judy Monteiro - May 09, 2022 at 12:00 AM

BE

“ *When I think of OB I remember what a joker he was. Like calling us in the middle of the night to tell me he was so sorry Don had been fired. Of course, all made up by him. Then at a picnic in Lodi California when Oklahoma relatives were visiting he would grab my knitting and unravel or scramble all the yarn. I would then have to spend hours trying to get it back where it was. We had a lot of laughs together and enjoyed our visits with everyone in Oklahoma. He will be missed.*



Beverly Ellis - May 09, 2022 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Cousin O.B.: what a guy! He was so much fun to be with.

*Shirley, we were blessed to be in your home and we looked forward to your visits with us in Hoyt, America. Precious memories, how they flood my soul. I'm sending our love and prayers to you and your sweet family.*

*Lana Wilson on behalf of the Clark and Joy Cariker family.*

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**Lana Cariker Wilson** - May 08, 2022 at 12:00 AM

KE

“ Shirley I am so sorry your your loss! OB will be so missed!!!  
Sending prayers to you and the family! We love and miss you all.

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**Kelly Ellis** - May 07, 2022 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ Shirley and family, so sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Dale & Nancy Richardson** - May 07, 2022 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Shirley so sorry to hear this sad news and please know we care and pray for all of you

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**Bill and Velma bacon** - May 06, 2022 at 12:00 AM

QB

“ Please accept our condolences on the loss of your beloved O B.  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.  
With our love  
Qunin and Phyllis Bennett

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**Qunin and Phyllis Bennett** - May 06, 2022 at 12:00 AM

EA

“ *Very sorry for your loss.* ”

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**Elaine and Jill Arnold** - May 06, 2022 at 12:00 AM