



## Steve Buchanan

June 21, 1948 - October 3, 2025

Steve Buchanan, age 77 of Blanchard, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, October 3, 2025, surrounded by family. Stephen Leonard Buchanan was born June 21, 1948, in Oklahoma City, OK. He was the oldest of 5 children from a blended family of Roy Buchanan Jr, Eleanor Whitener, and her second husband Kenneth Tice. He was raised in Oklahoma City where he attended school, graduating from the old Classen High School with the Class of 1966. Steve then answered the call in service to his country and joined the United States Army. By chance, he reconnected with an old friend from his Foster Baptist Church youth group. Her name was Barbara Louise Hawkins, and they were the perfect couple. Steve knew she was the one and so he married her on July 7, 1967, in Oklahoma City. They first made their home in Oklahoma City, before settling near Tuttle where they raised their daughters, Stephanie and Marcia. Steve worked for the United States Postal Service for many years, serving as Postmaster in Tuttle and later Blanchard, retiring in 2004. Steve was a man with many talents. He was extremely well organized and enjoyed tending to his yard and working in his shop. He was a gifted artist. He enjoyed woodworking and crafting stained glass, and he shared his many talents with his family and friends. Steve loved life and experienced much throughout his life. His greatest legacy was his faith in Jesus Christ. He was a longtime member of First Baptist Church Newcastle where he served as a deacon, taught Sunday School and led Bible studies for many years. He served faithfully as the church building manager for more than 10 years, and

he genuinely loved his church family. He cherished Barbara, his girls and especially his grandchildren. He will be deeply missed!

He was preceded in death by his parents, Roy Buchanan Jr and Eleanor Ann Whitener, stepfather Kenneth Tice and two brothers, David Scott Buchanan and Raymond Tice.

Steve is survived by his loving wife Barbara Buchanan of the home; his daughters, Stephanie Brooks and husband Steve of Mustang and Marcia Shottenkirk and husband Jerry of Mustang; sister, Neva Parker of Oklahoma City; brother, Gene Tice and wife Deena of Yukon; his pride and joy, grandchildren, Kaylyn Lindley and husband LT Tristan Lindley, Kaleb Brooks, Sage Brooks, Molly Shottenkirk and Jack Shottenkirk; great grandson, Beau Lindley and a host of other family and friends.

Viewing Tuesday, October 7, 2025 from 12:00 PM – 7:00 PM in Tri-City. The family will receive friends from 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM. Funeral Services are scheduled for 10:00 AM Wednesday, October 8, 2025, at Newcastle First Baptist Church. Burial will follow at the Newcastle Memory Gardens.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to First Baptist Church Newcastle Living the Vision (405-387-4366) or Reaching Souls International (405-917-7000)

# Previous Events

## Viewing

OCT 7. 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Wilson-Little ~ Tri-City  
3132 Tri-City Avenue  
Newcastle, OK 73065  
(405) 387-2243

## Visitation

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## Funeral Service

OCT 8 (CT)

First Baptist Church Newcastle  
1650 N Main Street  
Newcastle, OK 73065

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# Tribute Wall

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“ This a a tough loss for me but a Great Win for Steve. I can't add to his obituary except to say I always appreciated every moment I spent with Steve regardless of us setting under instruction from others, him teaching me or helping him on Church projects or working for him on Faith Riders Marble Runs. Steve was a great guy and someone that meant so much to me and more importantly someone who faithfully followed Jesus. Well done. You were faithful over much and you served well! Until we meet again!

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**Randy Dunn** - October 06, 2025 at 03:54 PM

“ Seventy years ago, Steve and I attended 2nd grade together at Carey Grade School. Eventually, we became best friends at Franklin Pierce Elementary during the 3rd grade.

In 1957, at Carey Heights Baptist Church, in a chicken coop converted into Sunday School Classes, we were saved on the same day and then Baptized at the same time at Dumas Avenue.

We had many adventures in our old neighborhood, "Packing House View". We especially enjoyed exploring the fields and woods between SW 23rd and the Canadian River.

On the edge of that "wilderness" was a gulley perfect for riding our full size 26" bikes down steep hills with sharp turns and bumps. In those days, we did practically everything together.

We played Baseball side by side, on teams and sandlots, until I moved away after the 7th grade. The next time we played together, it was as opponents. He hit a home run off of me that went over the right field, barbed wire fence.

We remained closely connected through high school. We had attended Jackson together, but I moved to Southeast and he moved to Classen, where he played Varsity Baseball.

Steve's first date with Barbara was a double date with me and Merry, on our first date as well.

I served as his best man at his wedding, and he was mine. After that, however, our lives took completely different directions. It was Steve who kept the connection going.

That effort on his part, to never give up on me, paid off. When Merry and I realized our need to put God back in our lives, our main connection to someone serving Christ was through Steve and Barbara. It was through them, and their discipling of us, that we ended up at First Baptist, Newcastle. It has been an honor to get to continue our friendship there over the last 32 years. I can't believe he is gone, but I do know I will see him again.



**Larry Nation** - October 06, 2025 at 11:44 AM