



Joe Sparks

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Joe F. Sparks, 75, of Broken Arrow, died on Sunday, December 8, 2013. He was born in Clarksville, Arkansas, on August 5, 1938, the son of Howard and Bessie Sparks. On October 10, 1956 (57 years ago), he married Susie Sparks, in Wagoner, Oklahoma. They actually eloped... Joe picked Susie up from high school (with the help of her twin sister, who was manning the attendance desk), then she returned as though nothing had happened. Once her parents discovered the marriage, they insisted she finish school, and Joe completely supported her in that. ...& they lived happily ever after. He served our country in the U.S. Navy. Joe was a longtime owner of several bowling centers in the area. He is survived by his loving wife, Susie Sparks, children, Tammy Langston, and her husband, Buddy, of Broken Arrow, Joe Sparks, and his wife, Tammy, of Owasso, Mick Sparks, and his wife, Sandra, of Tulsa, Linda Hicks, and her husband, Tony, of Bixby, grandchildren, Josh Langston, Ashley Sparks, Matthew Sparks, Jordan Maxwell, Brittany Sparks, Justin Langston, Madeline Maxwell, Samantha Maxwell, and Jacob Hicks, great-granddaughter, Rosha Nodine, brother, Bob Sparks, and his wife (and Susie's twin sister), Delores, sister-in-law, Irma Sparks, and brother-in-law, Bill Williams, and his wife, Joy, all of Broken Arrow, and numerous other family members and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, and brother, Howard Sparks, Jr. Memorial donations may be made in Joe's name to Indian Springs Baptist Church, 7815 S. Elm Place, Broken Arrow, Oklahoma 74012.



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SC

Sandra Chesterman posted:

I loved Uncle Joe's sweet but mischievous smile. I always wondered if he was up to something. He was big hearted and always had a way of making me feel special. He will be greatly missed. I wish I could have been there for the funeral. Know that I love you all and am praying for you! It will be awhile before I am visiting again from Africa but for now I am sending hugs online; BIG ones!

December 17 at 11:58 AM

DT

Deedee Turley posted:

I want to express my deepest sympathies to the family of Joe sr. The world definitely lost a good man but one I will never forget. I will always be grateful for the years I worked under Joe at the Rose Bowl. He was very good to me and my children and I will always have those memories along with his sweet smile.

December 11 at 6:19 PM

CY

Claudia Yager posted:

Tammy, Buddy, Justin, Josh and family, we are so sorry for your loss. Your dad/grandad was a very sweet man and I remember him fondly at the bowling alley and baseball games. – Claudia Yager & Scott Dyer

December 11 at 9:46 AM

DE

Debbie posted:

I told Susie this story a couple of days ago...but it is so sweet.... Joe came into my office several years ago with a story and a picture from a newspaper. He brought it to me and it was of Susie teaching a dance class. His words were..."Isn't she the cutest?" He really wasn't asking my opinion but sharing how he felt about his lovely wife. They were so blessed to feel that way about each other and like SO many, I love them both. Susie you are loved.

December 11 at 8:35 AM

CG

Catherine Cataldo Gutierrez posted:

Our thoughts go out to the family of Joe Sparks, I work with Joe's daughter Linda and want her to know my husband and I will keep her in our prayers. Cat Gutierrez

December 10 at 6:39 PM



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CM

Cathy Martin posted:

I would like to express my sincere condolences to the Sparks family , joe was the most kind man a person would want to meet he touched the hearts of so many and will be dearly missed.

December 10 at 10:08 AM

BM

Becky May posted:

Thinking and praying for you all during this time. Love from Becky, Lydia and Emilee May

December 10 at 9:58 AM

JS

Joe Sparks posted:

Dad, I miss you and love you, you meant everything to us. Joe

December 10 at 7:12 AM

SW

Sonja Waters posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Joe Sparks

December 10 at 4:07 AM

DR

Don Ratliff posted:

Susie, our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. Don and Joan Ratliff

December 9 at 3:23 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Joe by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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