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Vernon Dale Baker Jr, 67 of Grove, OK (formerly of Portia/Oklahoma City) passed away Thursday, January 9, 2020 at his home surrounded by his family and friends.

Born October 9, 1952 in Walnut Ridge, AR, Vernon was the only child of Vernon Dale Baker Sr. (Bud) and Berniece (Medlock) Baker.

Vernon graduated from Blackrock High School in 1970 and went on to receive a bachelor's in bible degree from Harding University in 1975.

Vernon came to Oklahoma in 1977 when he joined the Oklahoma City Police Department. He retired in 2007 after 30 years of service at the rank of Sergeant. He was a member of the Church of Christ and the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #123 in Oklahoma City where he served as Chaplain and created the CHAPPS program. He also served on the Oklahoma State Fraternal Order of Police board as Chaplain and later as Secretary as well as serving on the National Fraternal Order of Police board as Chaplain.

In 2002, Vernon married Lora VanLandingham in Tulsa, OK where they made their home until moving to Grove in 2010.

Vernon is survived by his wife, Lora of Grove, daughter Allyson Abdo and husband Neil Thomas of Oologah, mother, Berniece Baker of Portia, AR, mother and father in law, Jean and Louis VanLandingham of Tulsa, brother in law, Loren VanLandingham and wife Jennifer of Owasso, niece Peyton Cooper and husband Davis of Bixby, nephew Parker VanLandingham of Owasso, as well as many cousins and friends. He was preceded in death by his father, Vernon Dale Baker Sr, grandparents Harmon and Pansy Medlock and Columbus and Rose Baker.

A memorial service will be held January 18, 2020 at 1130 AM at the Grove Church of Christ, 1001 S. Grand, Grove, OK with Danny Lynchard officiating. Honorary pallbearers are the Oklahoma City and Tulsa Police Honor Guards.




Events


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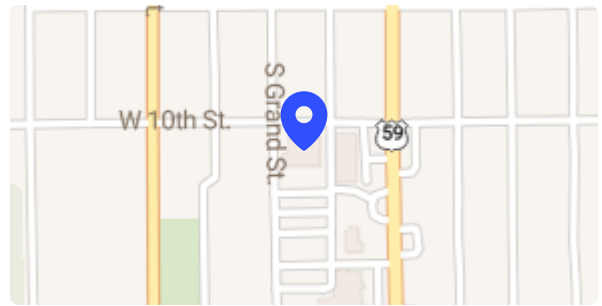
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Memorial Service

 **Saturday**, January 18, 2020

 11:30 AM CT

 **Grove Church of Christ**
1001 S. Grand, Grove OK 74344





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Lana Rodgers posted:

I worked for his parents at the College Bookstore and Press in Paragould. They sure loved their son.

March 7 at 1:28 PM



Heather Caswell posted:

I loved it when he helped me close at Lowes. He was my favorite ❤️💙. I will miss the hugs i got. Lov and peace to the family. Prayers for all.

January 17 at 8:19 AM



Leanne Williams posted:

Prayers for Lora and family. Vernon was my best buddy at Lowe's. His kind words and hugs when I was having a rough day made it all seem much better. I will miss you Vernon until we meet again ♥️🙏

January 14 at 5:16 PM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Baker family.



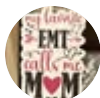
January 14 at 8:49 AM



Tom Towell posted:

Good memories of Dale, Bud and Bernice. I remember the Thursday night Bible study at Portia . That was a long time ago. I am proud to have known this wonderful family!

January 14 at 6:55 AM



Robin Dollar lit a candle in honor of Vernon.

Dale was a great man. He was such a caring soul and will be missed. He loved the Lord and he will no longer have to be in pain. Prayers for his wife and beloved mother Bernice.



January 14 at 6:40 AM



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Libby Pleasant posted:

Lora, I am so sorry for the loss of your dear husband. May you be comforted by our Lord and all of the friends and family that share in your grief.

January 14 at 6:23 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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