



Mitchell Ellis Shamas

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Mitchell Ellis Shamas died on Monday, April 7, 2025, at the age of 76 at his home in Tulsa, Oklahoma, after a determined battle with cancer. Mitchell was born on October 15, 1948, to Ellis Joseph and Mable Irene (Aston) Shamas in Bristow, Oklahoma. Mitchell was known for his unwavering love for family and his generosity and willingness to help others. He was kind, funny, and smart, and he liked to tell stories.

After graduating from Bristow High School in 1966, Mitchell attended Oklahoma State University and then University of Oklahoma where he obtained his Bachelor of Arts in 1970. He earned his Juris Doctor from University of Oklahoma College of Law and was admitted to the Oklahoma Bar in 1973. Mitchell practiced law in Oklahoma for 52 years, primarily in the areas of oil and gas, personal injury, workers compensation, and social security. He started his legal career in Bristow under the mentorship of David Loeffler before moving to Okmulgee in 1974 to join the firm of Bailey, Ash & Romine. Mitchell started his own firm in 1980 and moved his office to Tulsa in 1989. Mitchell's commitment to helping others is reflected in an Outstanding Community Service Award conferred by the Oklahoma Bar Association in 1984 for his pro bono representation of persons impacted by a tornado in Morris, Oklahoma.

Mitchell married Sue Lynn Greenfield in Norman, Oklahoma, in 1969. They had a loving 56-year marriage with four children, four grandchildren, and a great granddaughter. Mitchell was devoted to his family and their many activities over the years. Mitchell was always a teacher, supporter, and advocate.

Mitchell loved spending time outdoors and enjoyed gardening, sailing, working at the farm, and going for car rides. He was inquisitive and a lifelong learner. He constantly researched and documented his Lebanese ancestry and was a self-taught pianist. Mitchell stayed at the forefront of technology his entire life. He was an OU fan for all sports.



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Mitchell was preceded in death by his youngest son, Mark Ellison Shamas; parents; brother Jimmy Shamas; and sister Emilene Fisher and David.

Mitchell is survived by his wife Sue Lynn; uncle Ray Shamas and Pat; sister-in-law Annawyn (DeBenning) Shamas; sister-in-law Gail Graham and George; daughter Kristin Shamas and John Beedon; daughter Terra Bonnell and Robert; son Mitchell Spencer Shamas and Bailey Norton; grandchildren Jaden and Madyson Black, Deacon, Katherine, and Ayrton; great granddaughter Esmé; and cousins, nieces, and nephews, whom he loved very much.

A funeral service will be held on Wednesday, April 16, 2025, at 12:30 p.m. at Floral Haven Funeral Home in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, with a reception to follow in the Family Center.

Memorial contributions may be made to the OU Health Stephenson Cancer Center or the American Cancer Society.




Events


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Celebration of Life

 **Wednesday**, April 16, 2025

 12:30 PM CT

 **Floral Haven**
6500 S 129th E Ave, Broken Arrow OK 74012





Tribute Wall

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Anonymous sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Shamas family.

April 15 at 7:34 PM



Dr. Kenneth Trinidad And Staff sent a Joyful Memory to the Shamas family.

April 15 at 10:28 AM



Dr. Kenneth Trinidad And Staff planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Mitchell.

April 15 at 10:28 AM



Judy Martfeld lit a candle in honor of Mitchell.

A truly kind and giving man who supported his family to the fullest, and was a true friend to all. Praying for you and your family. Judy & Jim Martfeld

April 15 at 7:59 AM



Anonymous sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Shamas family.

April 14 at 12:17 PM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Mitchell.

April 14 at 12:17 PM





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LS

Libby, Riley, Lilia, Bev And Stuart sent a Basket of Memories to the Shamas family.

April 14 at 8:59 AM



JA

Jamil Alawneh posted:

Words feel so inadequate right now to express the profound sadness I feel knowing you're no longer with us. You were, without a doubt, the best human being I've ever had the privilege of knowing. Your honesty and genuine spirit shone so brightly, touching everyone lucky enough to cross your path. I will always remember your enormous heart and how you were always there for me, offering help and support without hesitation. You made such a difference in my life, and for that, I am eternally grateful. The world feels a little dimmer without your light. You will be deeply missed. With heartfelt sorrow, Jamil Alawneh

April 13 at 10:55 PM

MA

Melissa A. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Mitchell.

April 13 at 2:46 PM



RS

Ron , Susan, Jessica, & Cortney Saffa sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Shamas family.

April 13 at 9:04 AM



RS

Ron , Susan, Jessica, & Cortney Saffa planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Mitchell.

April 13 at 9:04 AM





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The Jimmy Shamas Family sent a Heavenly Grace Spray to the Shamas family.

April 13 at 12:43 AM



The Jimmy Shamas Family planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Mitchell.

April 13 at 12:43 AM



Pat Shamas posted:

Our dear nephew Mitch, you will be missed so much. We loved and respected you for all you did for the family. Our prayers to Suelynn and the family. Uncle Ray and Aunt Pat Shamas

April 12 at 12:06 PM



Marla White lit a candle in honor of Mitchell.

Rest in peace Mr Shamas. I have much respect for you & what you represented in this life. You were a wonderful & sincere person who I am happy to have known & work for. We met when I was 18 (my first real job- besides fast food) and though I didn't directly work for you then, I did from time to time. I will always remember the fun we had in the law office. My sincere condolences to your family.

April 10 at 8:30 PM



Anonymous sent a Sweet Tranquility Basket to the Shamas family.

April 10 at 11:31 AM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Mitchell.

April 10 at 11:31 AM





Memories only last if you share them

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



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