



Tommy Dale Cook

September 17, 1925 - September 5, 2018

Tommy Dale Cook, aka: My Tommy, Daddy, Dad, Papa, Uncle Tommy, Tom, Tommy Dale and Mr. Cook was born in Ft Smith Arkansas on Sept, 17, 1925 and went to be with Jesus on Sept 5, 2018. That's almost 93 years of loving others well. Tommy married Barbara Fine Cook his "sweet wife" on January 31, 1959. To say he adored her just barely reflects the commitment and love. This coming January 31, 2019 will be 60 years. Thanks for setting the bar high for us and providing such a wonderful example of 1 Corinthians 13 ...'Love never fails'. He was the "Worlds Greatest Father" to his children: Katrina Cook Kingsley, Tom Cook, Jr and Todd Cook. His family of five became eight as Tom's wife, Chelle Eddy Cook, Katrina's husband, Neil Kingsley and Todd's wife, Georgia Powers Cook joined our family circle. A father figure to many others; boat driver and water ski coach to even more! Papa welcomed his 7 grandchildren with open arms: Katie Cook, Wesley Kingsley, Eli Cook, Jesse Kingsley, Reagan Kingsley, Kena Kingsley and Levi Cook. "Papa and Baba's lake" soon became a favorite place in all their hearts. Be it fishing, boating, flippin burgers or a trip to the Pizza Port, a weekend at the trailer at Lake Ft.Gibson became a staple in their childhoods. He welcomed Marilla Hayman Kingsley and Josh Hawkins to the grandkid lineup with a big Papa smile. Uncle Tommy is loved by many nieces and nephews and other family members who often spent a fun filled weekend at their home in Broken Arrow. You never knew who you might find at Tommy and Barb's home there on the cul-de-sac. His "extended kids" knew where the key was and that there was always cereal in the cabinet and boxes of leftover Caesar's Pizza in the fridge. All were welcome whether it was an evening or longer. Tommy Dale didn't know a stranger. Tommy loved his country and served in the Air Force from 1951-1955. He served as a pilot during the Korean War. Tommy and Barbara moved to Broken Arrow, Oklahoma in 1965 when he took the position as the Food and Beverage Manager at the newly opened Camelot Hotel in Tulsa. He had an entrepreneur spirit and enjoyed a variety of career changes through out his life; working as a courier into his early 80's after he retired. Tommy Dale Cook just loved people and everywhere he went people loved Tommy! Tommy was a member of the First Methodist Church in Broken Arrow where he enjoyed his "Mr. and Mrs." Sunday school class. He loved the lake, the Dallas Cowboys, his gold-wing motorcycle (and his buddies that went along with it), and our yearly snow

skiing adventure to Monarch, Colorado where he would faithfully drive our family and a van full of our friends with that “Papa twinkle” in his eye the whole time! In fact Papa celebrated his 80th birthday with a ski trip to Colorado and yes he even skied down the mountain! Tommy was greeted in heaven by his parents B. Price and Marie Cook and a host of family that adored their Tommy Dale! (Say hi to the family for us!) “And above all things have fervent love for one another, for “love will cover a multitude of sins.” Be hospitable to one another without grumbling. As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.” 1 Peter 4:8-10 Thanks for the legacy Daddy! We love you! Visitation will be held 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm, Sunday, September 09, 2018, at the Floral Haven Funeral Home Visitation Suites, Broken Arrow, Oklahoma. A Celebration of Life Service will be held 11:00 AM, Monday, September 10, 2018, at the First United Methodist Church, 112 E College St., Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.

Comments



“ Dearest Barbara, Katrina, Tom and Todd (and all of your families), I am so sad that Tommy is gone. The minute I first met him, I loved him (as I did your whole family). He was a wonderful man who loved taking care of his family. I'm sure there are holes in your hearts right now, but he is still with you in every beat of those hearts. One of my favorite quotes is “You will never get over it, but you will get through it”. I hope you can think of that in the coming days. Love to you all.

Lana Huntington - September 08, 2018 at 11:35 PM



“ Dear Barbara & family,
My heart is so broken for you all. He was a great father & husband. He always treated me with the up most kindness.
I remember as a little girl always going to aunt Maria's house for thanksgiving & Christmas. Many great memories!
I know he is in our heavenly fathers arms. We will all miss him! I love you Barb, & pray God gives you peace, & comfort. I'm praying that for all the family!
Love & prayers!????

Debi honeyman - September 08, 2018 at 04:17 PM



“ What a beautiful send off and memorial obituary for a man who meant so much to his family. My thoughts and prayers go out to this loving family in the loss of Tommy Dale. Thank you for your service, Mr Cook.

Barbara Thurman Stapleton - September 08, 2018 at 03:26 PM



“ Tom, My thoughts & prayers are with the your entire family during this difficult time.

Thomas Lesia - September 07, 2018 at 09:11 PM



“ Barbara, so sorry for your loss

Frances Williamson Ashinhurst - September 07, 2018 at 06:29 PM