



## Gaylord Lee Hock

August 21, 1942 - May 3, 2024

Gaylord Lee Hock "Papa" August 21, 1942- May 03, 2024 passed peacefully at his home with his family by his side. Papa loved the Lord and is now in heaven face to face with Jesus.

Gaylord was born to Walter and Waunitta Drake in Ponca City, Oklahoma. At the age of 9, Papa was adopted by his maternal grandparents, John Henry and Flora Hock.

He grew up on the " family farm East of Ponca City along the Arkansas River. Papa spent many hours with his older brother, Monty, and extended brothers, commonly referred to as the "Backus Boys". They spent many hours running the banks of the Arkansas. Later in life Papa spent many hours camping, fishing, running trotlines on the same banks he was raised on.

In November 1974 Papa met the love of his life, Dianna Marie Smith "Nana". They married February 14, 1975. To this marriage they added three children. Gaylord "Lee" Jr., Nichole Marie and Jennifer J. "J.J."

Papa and Nana started their family in Ponca city, Okla. and later relocated to Fairfax, Okla.

where they have resided for the last 33 years.

Papa provided for his family by operating heavy machinery. His love was a bulldozer. It has

been said that there is no one in Osage County that could operate one quite like him.

Gaylord was survived by his loving wife of 49 years, Dianna Marie, Children Gaylord "Lee" Hock

Jr. (Terri), Nichole Marie Beavers (Kyle), Jennifer J. Benson, five grandchildren Kerri "Kerri

Lynn" Hock, Daulton "D" Hock, Johnathan "John" Hock, Jennacie "Sissy" Benson, Kylee "Jo-Jo"

Beavers. two great grandchildren Jaxon Stafford and Aubrey Woodrum.

Preceded in death by maternal grandparents John Henry and Flora Hock, Biological parents

Walter James Drake, Waunitta Faye Rollins, Brother Monty Desmond Hock and numerous

Uncles and Aunts.

# Tribute Wall

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“ There was never a dull moment down on the river. From Gaylord eating a steak laying on the “bed” at the river, gumming it. Also when we played UNO he and his partner did lots of cheating, handing cards to each other under the table. He always had a laugh and a smile. Prayers and hugs for you all.

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