



## Jerry Dale Basford

April 3, 1940 - March 29, 2017

Jerry Dale Basford was born April 3rd 1940 in Okmulgee Oklahoma to the parents of Marvin and Maudine Basford. He was the second to the oldest of 4 siblings. David Basford of McKinney Texas, deceased, Sybil Foust of Tulsa, and Kenneth Basford of Bixby, deceased.

Jerry moved to Tulsa, met and married Marie Garner. They raised 4 kids. Ralph Bernal, Richard 'Kevin' Basford, Teresa Scopeletti, and Tracey Watkins. He has 1 granddaughter Jennifer Alchamat, and 1 great-grandson Derek Childers. His daughter in-law Amy Bernal. Several nieces and nephews and other loved ones.

Jerry was a small private contractor for the majority of his life. He was extremely talented and was very meticulous about his work quality. His customers would call back time and time again because of that. Jerry was really a "jack of all trades" not really much he couldn't do or figure out that involved working with his hands. Jerry was able to pass on some of those skills to his son Kevin who worked with him for many years. Ralph has become a master painter, those are Jerry's words, and says that all started from the precise skills from Jerry's sometimes strict teachings. One of Jerry's favorite quotes when he painted was "you can tell a good painter because he won't have any paint on his "whites".

Jerry loved to laugh and tease with people. He loved his momma's and Marie's cooking almost to a fault, because it ruined him for anybody else's cooking. Except his own of course. He enjoyed being in the kitchen and cooking and having people enjoy it. Jerry loved driving out in the country and looking at "old stuff". He loved horses and bird watching. Jerry always dreamed of being a real cowboy and having a ranch.

Jerry truly loved being around his kids and family. That was the highlight of his life.

Jerry was loved by so many people. Respected because he was honest and full of integrity. Gentle, and a generous man.

Jerry knew the lord personally and was not fearful to pass from this earthly life because he knew in his heart and mind what awesomeness was coming!!!

# Tribute Wall

JL

“ Although my time with you was short I will always cherish those times. Your honesty integrity and open personality always made me comfortable. I see so much of you in your daughter Tracey and grandson Derek. Derek has that same "look you in the eye" firm handshake as you.  
I know your enjoying Heaven.

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**Jesse L.** - April 01, 2017 at 03:10 PM

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“ My Uncle Jerry was a kind, caring, gentle soul who always had a smile on his face and laughter in his heart. He loved talking and visiting with people. Whether it be with all of us, his family, his church family, or while going to the Veteran's hospital to visit with other vets. Sharing stories, laughing at silly jokes, praying with them. I would say he even always just sat at a cafe & visited with strangers...but I don't think he ever met one...And boy did he love my cookin'!  
Congratulations Uncle Jerry...going home, being with Granny. Living there in the beauty, warmth, & love of Heaven. Give Granny a kiss from me! I'll see you again someday.  
Cameryn says, "Jesus came and took Uncle Jerry by the hand & took him to heaven...& he's waiting for us!"  
I love you Uncle Jerry💜  
Until next time....

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**Katy Foust** - April 01, 2017 at 11:23 AM

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*Jerry was my big brother who always had my best interest in everything. When we were growing up he was my protector. He helped me financially through some tough times in last few years. He loved life, people, family, but most of all our Lord. I will miss him but I know I will see him again. I love you Jerry. Your little sister.*

**Sybil Foust** - April 01, 2017 at 07:42 PM

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*“ I LOVE YOU DADDY!!! YOU WHERE THE BEST DADDY A GIRL COULD EVER HAVE!!!  
YOU WILL REMAIN IN MY HEART UNTIL I SEE YOU IN HEAVEN!!!*

*YOUR BABY GIRL,  
TRACEY*

**Tracey r Watkins** - April 01, 2017 at 10:30 AM

KF

*I sure love you Tracey! Isn't it beautiful to think....Your daddy was there holding your little hand when you were born.....and you were holding his when he took his last breath, and reborn to our Father in heaven...He'll be missed, but what great stories we can tell! Love you  
💜!*

**Katy Foust** - April 01, 2017 at 11:28 AM



*“ I had the privilege of meeting Mr Basford in the last of his days. His kind and gentle spirit made him a joy to be around. I felt honored to have know him. Sandy*

**Sandra Flick** - April 01, 2017 at 10:29 AM