



## Ralph M. Carpenter

November 14, 1935 - September 14, 2021

Ralph M. Carpenter was born November 14, 1935 in Beeville, Texas to Raymond and Patsy (Williams) Carpenter. He passed away Tuesday, September 14, 2021 at his home. Ralph grew up in Pettus, Texas and moved with his family to Kinta in 1951. He was a 1954 graduate of Kinta High School and continued his education at Eastern Oklahoma State College. He was married to Colleen Bryant on September 16, 1955 and made their home together at Kinta. Ralph was a gifted athlete and was noticed and invited by longtime St. Louis Cardinals great Pepper Martin to Spring Training in Florida with the Baltimore Orioles. His first at bat left the yard and landed 400 feet from home plate. His next at bat resulted in a bases clearing triple. Articles were written about the kid from Oklahoma that could hit it a ton and run like a deer. After six weeks Ralph became homesick missing his wife and young son Stan. He told the team he was done and to put him on a plane, a train, a car or a covered wagon but he was going home. He got the plane. Ralph returned home and worked in the oil field and pipelines until 1965. He began a career at Farmers State Bank in Quinton in 1965 and worked there for 26 years. He served as a loan officer and Vice President until retiring in 1991. Ralph was a proud rancher that raised cattle his entire life. He loved hunting and going to watch his kids play ball. He was an avid New York Yankees and Oklahoma Sooners fan. Ralph was a long time member of Kinta First Baptist Church and served as Deacon for 51 years. He was very proud of being a 50 plus year donor and dedicated supporter of the Oklahoma Baptist Homes for Children.

He is survived by two sons, Bentley Carpenter and Angella, Bradley Carpenter and wife Heidi; 9 grandchildren, Holly Smothers and husband Eric, Rodney Carpenter, Hadley Walker and husband Michael, Rachael Fisk and husband Kevin, Hailey Carpenter, Jalen Carpenter and Ashley, Westen Carpenter, Aubrey Carpenter and Hanna Carpenter; five great grandchildren, Addie, Ariaah, Kyler, Kameron and Kylie. He is preceded in death by his father, Raymond Carpenter; his parents, Julius and Patsy Adams; his wife, Colleen Carpenter; a son, Stanley Carpenter; a sister, Patsy McKay; a step-brother, Jerry Adams.

Funeral services will be 10:30 A.M. Monday, September 20, 2021 at Kinta First Baptist Church with Reverend Mike Mills officiating. Marvin Vealy will deliver the Eulogy. Pallbearers will be Orville Wheat, George Monks, C.B. Coplen, Trent Hokit, Jim Myers and Marvin Vealy. Honorary pallbearers include Scott Kneiss, Huey Gragg, G.C. Gray, Jon Heiliger, Boyd King and Tom Tate. Burial will follow at Sans Bois Cemetery under the direction of King & Shearwood Funeral Home of Stigler.

# Cemetery Details

**Sans Bois Cemetery ~ Kinta**

## Previous Events

### Viewing

SEP **18**. 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

R.E. SHEARWOOD MEMORIAL CHAPEL  
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STIGLER, OK  
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### Viewing

SEP **19**. 12:00 PM - 8:30 PM (CT)

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### Service

SEP **20**. 10:30 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church - Kinta



# Tribute Wall

BE

“ I once described folks you meet , I mean you meet a lot of people who you know go to church , then you meet people that you just see the go to church no need to ask any questions it just flows from them. Ralph was one of those people to me I am not good at putting things to words but some how with Ralph it was easy. He often said I don't know what Bear likes about me , well I be perfectly honest when he used to come and bring you boys Stanley, Bentley, Bradley snd wife's grandkids everyone , I was in awe , jealous if you might at the relationship he had with each one and the love I saw in each one of you. Something I wish I had with my kids . Once upon a time I didn't know many of these people I describe as I get older I know more of them , is that because people like Ralph brought them my way or is it changes in me I don't know. But he will be missed and he was one of the few.

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**Bear** - September 17, 2021 at 09:56 AM

HG

“ Ralph And I worked closely together for over 20 years. I will dearly miss him, I will miss him like a brother. I hope an pray the family will go on and enjoy their lives but I'm sure it won't be the same without good old Ralph. Love you man.

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**Hughie Gragg** - September 16, 2021 at 07:26 PM

JW

“ Ralph was always smiling... always kind... he will be missed by so many.

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**Jo Wilson** - September 16, 2021 at 01:53 PM

JO

“ *He was my second dad. He did so much for me. He will be missed.*

John - September 16, 2021 at 11:51 AM

LC

“ *LOIS CARRY lit a candle in memory of Ralph M. Carpenter*



LOIS CARRY - September 16, 2021 at 08:27 AM

LH

*We were so sad to hear of Ralph's passing. We first met him and Colleen in 1973 and have been friends ever since. We send our condolences to the family. 🌹❤️*

Larry and Jan Hensley - September 16, 2021 at 02:26 PM

SG

*We all miss you Ralph, you were a great friend. Love to all the family.*

Susett Gibson - September 17, 2021 at 04:53 PM

AG

“ *Ralph will be dearly missed. I already miss HIS DAILY phone calls just to say hi & to remind me to be careful driving. I will miss HIS fatherly advice. I will miss our talks about the Bible and listening to him pray. I know heaven is a little sweeter now with the big " R " there.....*

*Ann Gean*

Ann Gean - September 16, 2021 at 07:28 AM