

Thomas Gale Sanders went to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Tuesday, 29 August 2023 at the age of 65.

Tom was born on 16 July 1958 in Shawnee, Oklahoma to his parents Roberta Jean and Gaylord "Sandy" Sanders. He retired from Tinker Air Force Base in 2019 after nearly 35 years of civil service. During his life, Tom had a heart for ministry, helped in children's church for many years, and also helped extensively with the bus ministry. Tom loved spending time with his family and could often be found outdoors, either camping, fishing, or hunting, often with an entourage of kids, siblings, and nieces and nephews. He also loved attending games, recitals, and other activities that his grandchildren were involved in and taking care of his dog / buddy, Henry.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 32 years, Debbie Sanders and his parents, Roberta Jean and Gaylord Sanders. Tom will be deeply missed by his daughter, Stacey Freeman and husband Larry (Joey); son, Shaun Petty; daughter, Betty Jean Sanders; 5 grandchildren: Chase Hutcheson and wife Mikylah, Jariah, Madelyn, and Levi Freeman, Cayson Petty and grand-cat, Ellie Mae; 1 great-grandchild, Amythist Rose (Rosie); sister, Sherri Sanders and husband Curt; brother, Eddie Reed and wife Becky; sister, Ruth Pittser; sister, Sheila Hutson and husband Warren; brother, Richard Sanders; sister, Teresa Barnett and husband Daryl; sister, Debra Sanders and husband Wesley; brother-in-law, Floyd Praytor and wife Claire; sister-in-law, Angie Bohanan; aunts Elizabeth "Liz" Harris and Evelyn Sanders; and a host of nieces and nephews.

In Loving Memory Of



Thomas Gale Sanders



July 16, 1958



August 29, 2023



As for me, my life has already been poured out as an offering to God. The time of my death is near. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have remained faithful. And now the prize awaits me—the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give me on the day of his return.

2 Timothy 4:6-8 (NLT)

Tom Sanders

Date of Birth

July 16, 1958

Shawnee, Oklahoma

Entered Into Rest

August 29, 2023

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Funeral Ceremony

Wednesday ~ September 6, 2023

Ten O'clock in the Morning

Evangelistic Center Church

Shawnee, Oklahoma

Officiant

Noah Willoughby