

"Papa"

My papa was a quiet man, but his silence spoke volumes. The warmth of his gaze said "I love you." The strength of his hugs said, "I will keep you safe." The gentleness of his hands said, "You're precious to me." His nod of approval for a job well done said, "I respect you." Although he is no longer by my side, and I may not remember many of the words he spoke, the memories of what he conveyed without speaking a word will stay in my heart forever.

So, Papa, although your golden heart stopped beating, your hard working hands are at rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us he only takes the best. So I want you to know that you are my heart's embrace, a steady soul, a source of grace, your wisdom shone like morning's light, guiding me through the darkest nights. Your stories painted the past that was so clear, a world of memories I now hold so dear. In every tale, in every word, a love so deep, it was always heard. A lifetime's strength resided there in every word. Each wrinkle told a tale of you, of battles faced and dreams pursued. With every hug, with every smile, you made my life feel so worthwhile. Papa, your love was my guide, a bond unbroken, side by side. Now, the room will no longer echo with your laughter since you moved on into the mists of ever after. So here I stand, with love so true, forever grateful for all you that you do. Your legacy, your gentle ways, will light my life through every day. Forever remembered, forever loved, in our memories your spirit thrives, a beacon of love that never dies.

Love, Shanquillia

ACTIVE PALL BEARERS

Grandchildren/family

ACTIVE FLOWER BEARERS

Grandchildren/family

INTERMENT

Crown Hill Cemetery

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Family of Luther Joseph Vann, Sr, gratefully acknowledge the various kind and beautiful expressions of sympathy and love shown during our hours of bereavement evidenced in thoughts and deeds. A SPECIAL THANKS to his Grandchildren who made sure he was able to take his horse ride to his eternal resting place.



IN LOVING

Memory
Of



Luther
JOSEPH Vann

SUNRISE

July 15, 1935

SUNSET

February 18, 2026

Tuesday, March 3, 2026
11:00 AM

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Obituary

It was the warm night of July, 15, 1935, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, when a son was born to Cooley Vann and Vera Marshall. whom they named Luther Joseph Vann. As a child, Luther attended St. Monica Catholic School. He accepted Christ at an early age, being baptized on October 4th, 1942. As a young adult, Luther would spend most of his life between Oklahoma City, OK and Tulsa, OK; and eventually settling in Tulsa, OK.

Luther had a passion for culinary arts and worked a portion of his life as a Chef during his time at Jamel's, a local restaurant. He also worked as a cook at the Holiday Inn. Luther understood the importance of hard work and later became a skilled carpenter, never afraid to get his hands dirty. He also shared a love for rodeo life through the farm life he was raised in. Learning how to farm and take care of the family land. He joined the OKC Paraders Rodeo Club in 1969. Luther was a devoted member until he left in 2001 to join the Wild Horse Posse. He started off steer roping, then later changed to a bareback rider. He was an auctioneer at the Stock yards and a rodeo announcer at all the local rodeos.

His love for riding never faded and he would enjoy teaching his family how to love it as much as he did. In his spare time, Luther would travel, cook for his family, tame the land and attend to his horses. On a good day, you would find him sitting on his big screened in porch entertaining, with a cold drink, good music and plenty of laughs.

Luther first married Eudeenia McCane to whom 6 children were brought forth, before divorcing in 1975. He had 3 additional children before meeting the love of his life in 1986, Lorene Battle, under their union 2 children were brought, Aaliyah Vann and adopted daughter Yolonda Vann. He also became father to Lorene's son Malcom Battle to complete their union.

On February 18, 2026 Luther Joseph Vann, Sr. was called to eternal rest. Those preceding him in death include his mother Vera Marshall, Father Cooley Vann, 8 brothers (Ronnie Vann, Donnie Vann, Obie Vann, Lorenzo Vann, Elmer Vann, Glenn Vann, Robert Vann, and Walter Vann), sister Delores Vann, son Luther Vann, Jr, daughters Redia Vann-Fisher and Joyce Vann, grandson Carey Vann and great granddaughter Amari Shanea.

He leaves to cherish his legacy, his wife Lorene Vann, children Aaliyah Vann, Yolonda Vann, Malcom Battle, Debbie Morris, Sharon Vann, Michael McClellan, Cynthia Vann, Lorenzo Vann, Lisa McClellan, a host of grandchildren, great grandchildren, great great grand children, plenty of nieces and nephews, extended family and friends.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude	
Processional	Ministers, Funeral Director & Family
Greetings & Blessings	Reverend Scott Gordon
Comfort from the Scriptures Old Testament New Testament	Ministers Ministers
Musical Selection	Brandon Douglas
Prayer of Comfort	Reverend Scott Gordon
Musical Selection	Brandon Douglas
Remarks & Acknowledgments	Shanquillia Vann
Special Remarks	Marcus Friday & Danell Tipton
Video Tribute	
Words of Comfort	Reverend Scott Gordon Calvary Baptist Church, Sapulpa, Ok
Recessional	Keith D. Biglow Funeral Directors, Inc.

