

Vernon William Kessner, Jr. was born on January 18, 1947, in Hutchinson, KS, to Vernon William Kessner, Sr. and Geraldine Frances (Brewer) Kessner. He passed away peacefully, surrounded by his loved ones on Saturday, October 11, 2025, in Broken Arrow, OK.

Vernon graduated from Nathan Hale High School in 1966 and enlisted in the United States Army in August of that year, serving for three years. After his service, he attended the Oklahoma School of Accountancy, where he met the love of his life, Susan Harding. They were married on December 17, 1971, at First Baptist Church in Sperry, and made their home in Tulsa. Vernon and Susan experienced heartbreak with the loss of their son, Vernon William III, in 1973, but found joy with the arrival of their daughter, Sarah Beth, in 1974 — their rainbow after the storm. In the spring of 1987, they settled into their current home in Sperry. Vernon began his 28-year career with the Wesche Company in 1972, where he quickly became one of the company's top salesmen, earning numerous awards for his dedication and success. He enjoyed watching countless movies and television shows, cheering for his beloved Oklahoma Sooners, joking around with anyone and everyone and taking his family on many vacations. Vernon's home was always open to his daughter's friends and the youth of Sperry First Baptist. Above all, he cherished time spent spoiling his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Vernon is survived by his wife of 53 years, Susan; daughter, Sarah and husband, Anthony; grandson, Forrest; granddaughter, Hannah and husband, Conner; great-grandchildren, Cadence and Landry Quinten, and Jensen Wood; bonus family, Andy and Gretchen Anquoe and their children, Samuel, Seth, Abbie, Anna, and Ruth; and many other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his son, Vernon Kessner, III; parents, Vernon Kessner, Sr, and Geraldine Kessner; stepmother Ursula Kessner; sister, Julie Allred and husband, Charles; niece, Barbara Perkins; nephew, James Allred; and many other relatives and friends.

## *Memorial Service*

First Baptist Church Sperry, Oklahoma  
Saturday, October 25, 2025 2:00 PM

*Officiating Minister* ~ Andy Anquoe

## *Sharing of Memories*

Susan Kessner, Sarah Quinten,  
Forrest Quinten, Hannah Wood  
Critttoned Sayre

*Special Letter* (From Matt Hughes)

Read by Andy Anquoe

## *Music*

*"It Is Well With My Soul"*

*"In The Garden"*

*"Beulah Land"*

Vocalists ~ Dave and Alane King,  
Sharon Macey and Karon Roberts

*"Because He Lives"*

Vocalist ~ Andy Anquoe

## *Military Honors*

VFW District 5 Honor Guard Skiatook, Oklahoma

## *Honorary Pall Bearers*

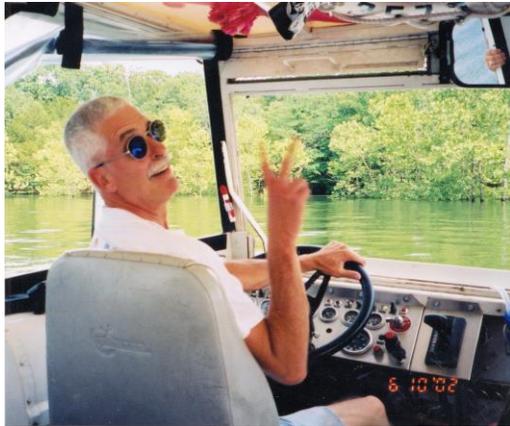
Anthony Quinten	Forrest Quinten
Samuel Anquoe	Seth Anquoe
Conner Wood	Matt Hughes
Critttoned Sayre	Grady Sayre

## *Interment*

Rest Haven Cemetery Sperry, Oklahoma



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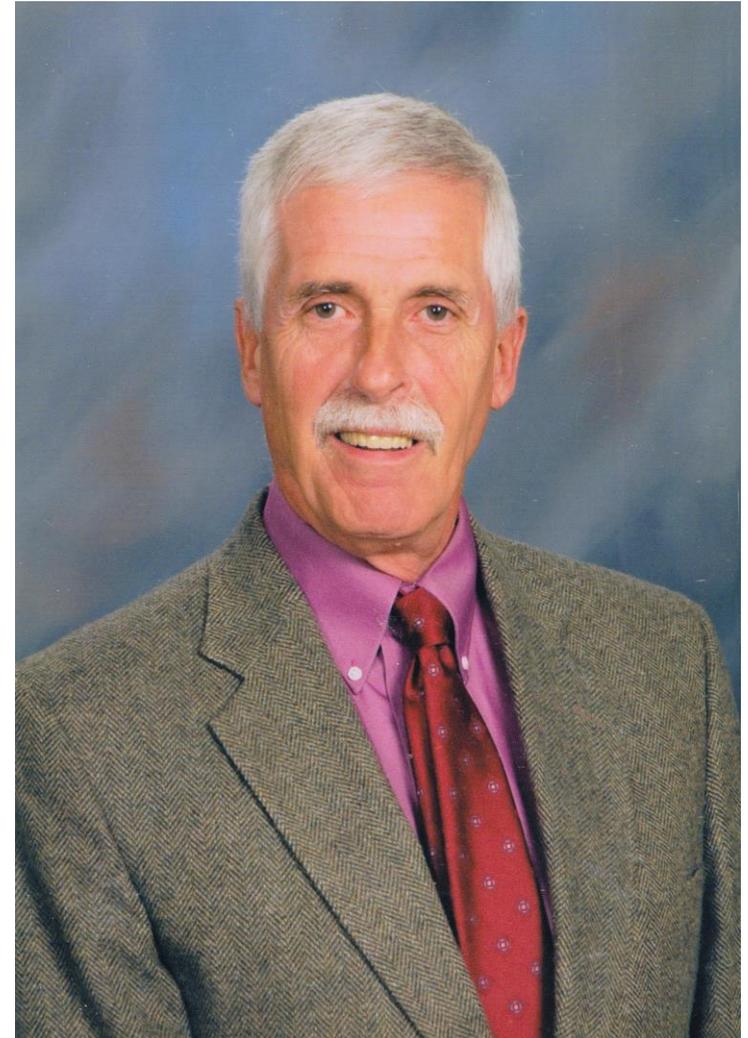


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*With love and remembrance, you are invited  
to sign the online guestbook and view the obituary  
by scanning the code below:*



*Arrangements and services entrusted to  
Johnson Funeral Home  
Sperry, Oklahoma*



*January 18, 1947 ~ October 11, 2025*