



## Albert "Butch" John Spataro

April 5, 1957 - March 1, 2022

Albert John Spataro ("Butch" to those who knew him from Pennsylvania) was born on April 5, 1957, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to Albert Julius Spataro and Anna (Hric) Spataro. He died on Tuesday, March 1, 2022, in Owasso, Oklahoma at the age of 64 years. Al was raised and educated in McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania and graduated with the Sto-Rox High School Class of 1975. He then moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma and attended the University of Tulsa on a football scholarship. Al married Lori Jo (Rossiter) Spataro in Tulsa on October 12, 1985. He was a member of St. Henry Catholic Church in Owasso for over 20 years. He spent most of his working life in ground operations with Southwest Airlines in Tulsa for 20 years. After retiring from Southwest Airlines, he started a second career in armed security, finally retiring in May 2019. With the birth of his granddaughter in May 2019, he took on a brand new role and one that he cherished – he took care of, played with, nurtured Remi from the time she was 8 weeks old. He was her "Papa". In his spare time, he enjoyed a variety of past times such as working on various projects around the farm, flipping vehicles, the art of bartering, and sign collecting. He loved his family with all of his heart and he loved his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. As Remi informed us while pointing to the sky, "Papa has gone home".

Those he leaves behind who hold many cherished memories include:

His wife;

Lori Spataro

3 Children;

Erin Edelman

Anthony Spataro and wife Tabitha

Ashley Ann Spataro

3 Grandchildren;

Carson, Oliver, Remi, and one on the way

Brother;

Chris Spataro and wife Louise

He was preceded in death by his parents, Albert and Anna.

# Tribute Wall

PE

“ *Al worked with me at TU and Owl Nite Security. I loved him as a brother and a friend and always will. His humor and wit were wonderful. He was and is one of my heroes.*

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**Pete** - February 12, 2024 at 11:58 AM

BT

“ *Butch was classmate and teammate of mine at St Mary's .. he was always the biggest guy in our class but was so kind. I recall his artistic ability.. he could draw anything. I'm very sorry to learn of his passing.. it's nice to know that he never changed and was still as kind as he was in his youth.. you have my deepest sympathy ..RIP Butch*

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**Bernie Theis** - August 10, 2022 at 11:18 AM

AL

*My neighbor, our football playmate. Big as a house, gentle as a teddy bear. On the football field, a grizzly bear. Biggest guy in the Neighborhood, never a bully. Had a fine upbringing if you knew his parents. RIP Butch. It was a pleasure growing up with you. Tony Ligouri*

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**Anthony Ligouri** - December 30, 2022 at 04:41 PM

LS

*Thank you so much Tony for sharing. It really means a lot. I miss him every day but cherish the time we had together and the life we built with each other and our kids. I know he's in heaven and I'll see him again some day. Best, Lori Spataro*

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**Lori Spataro** - January 25, 2023 at 12:39 PM

LS

*Thank you Bernie for sharing your memories. It does mean a great deal to me. As I mentioned to Tony, I miss him every day but his legacy carries on through his kids and grandkids. Best, Lori Spataro*

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**Lori Spataro** - January 25, 2023 at 12:42 PM