



Dr. Dale Derby

September 25, 1948 - August 24, 2021

Dr. George Dale Derby, aged 72 of Owasso, OK, entered into eternal rest on August 24, 2021. He was born on September 25, 1948, in Eldon, Missouri to the late Donald and Lucille Baker Derby. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Wanda Sumpter and great granddaughter, Mabel Noelle.

Dale is survived by his loving wife of 46 years, Linda West Derby, their children, Jacquelyn (Albert) Gonz of Ste. Genevieve, MO, David (Kim) Derby of Owasso, OK, and Micah (Becky) Derby of Owasso, OK. He is also survived by 8 grandchildren: Katie (Justin) Noelle, A.J. Gonz, Rebekah (Caleb) Harris, Scarlette Gonz, Quentin Derby, Evan Derby, Xavier and William Derby, and 2 great-grandchildren, Lillian and Malachi Noelle. He is survived by his brother Gene and Barbara Derby of Chouteau, OK, and Daphane Derby of Tulsa, OK, along with many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends from all over the world.

Dale was a longtime member of the Farmington Free Will Baptist Church of Farmington, MO, and currently an active member of Rejoice Church of Owasso, OK. Dale loved the Lord and was bold in his witness of God's goodness. He and his wife served over 25 years in the bus ministry and contact evangelism in Missouri and California, telling children and adults about the good news of Jesus Christ. He taught Sunday School, was a bus

captain and director in the bus ministry, taught biology and science at California Christian College, served on the school board at Farmington Christian Academy and also serving there as the sports doctor. During his time in Owasso, he served on the general board at Rejoice Church, participated in numerous medical mission trips, and in recent years, he was a leader and teacher for the Christ Directed Program Bible Study on Wednesday nights. He volunteered thousands of hours to the churches he attended with this scripture in mind: 1 Corinthians 10:31, "So whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all for the glory of God." He did all of this while working as a full-time physician.

Dale graduated from Claremore High School in Claremore, OK, in 1966. He received his BS in biology at the University of Tulsa in 1971 and his medical degree from the Kansas City College of Osteopathy Medicine in 1975. He did his internship at the Normandy Osteopathic Hospital from July 1975 to July 1976. Upon completion, Dale entered the United States Navy as a Lieutenant Colonel. He was a Seabee and served in Guam as Chief Medical Officer. After 3 years of service, he was honorably discharged in 1979. Dale spent 16 years in private practice as a primary care physician in Farmington, MO. He then completed a residency in anesthesia and became the chief of the anesthesiology department at Kaiser Permanente, Fresno, CA. In 2004, Dale and Linda moved to Owasso, and he became a founding physician at Bailey Medical Center where he continued to practice until his death.

Throughout his years, Dale was nominated for numerous honors within his profession. Dale's desire during his professional life was to participate in the process of improving the integrity and quality of patient care. Because of this, he was an active member of boards and associations serving in leadership roles in many of those organizations. Out of his desire to improve and work in his community, Dale served one term as Representative for District 74 in the Oklahoma State Legislature. The following list includes the most recent places

of service:

- American Osteopathic Association
- American Osteopathic Association of Anesthesiologists
- American Society of Anesthesiologists
- Chairman of Board of Directors at Bailey Medical Center
- Medical Director of Anesthesiology at Bailey Medical Center
- Oklahoma Osteopathic Association
- Tulsa Osteopathic Medical Society

Dale loved his family, and his greatest joy was being with his children and grandchildren celebrating holidays as the family gathered together. He and Linda loved fishing and taking adventurous historical trips—sometimes on their own and sometimes with their grandchildren. He loved to teach his grandchildren about God, country, and politics. He always said, “he never worked a day in his life because he loved his profession so much it wasn’t like work.” But he loved the Lord even more, his wife he affectionately called ‘Lynny’, his children, his grandkids, family and friends.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Saturday, August 28, 2021, at Rejoice High School Auditorium in Owasso, Oklahoma. Funeral service will be held 2:00 p.m. Sunday, August 29, 2021, at Rejoice High School Auditorium in Owasso, Oklahoma. The family requests memorial contributions be made in Dale’s memory to Rejoice Foundation Christian Education Fund, 13413 East 106th Street North, Owasso, OK 74055, Rejoice Church: Wade and Tiffany Goodwin, 13413 East 106th Street North, Owasso, OK 74055 or Folds or Honor Foundation, 5800 North Patriot Drive, Owasso, OK 74055. Arrangements and services were entrusted to Mowery Funeral Service of Owasso. www.moweryfs.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 28. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Rejoice High School Auditorium
13407 East 106th Street North
Owasso, OK 74055

Funeral Service

AUG 29. 2:00 PM (CT)

Rejoice High School Auditorium
13407 East 106th Street North
Owasso, OK 74055

Memorial Fund

AUG 29 (CT)

Rejoice Foundation Christian Education Fund
13413 East 106th Street North
Owasso, OK 74055

Tribute Wall

LH

“ Dale was a classmate in the Claremore High School class of 1966. A quiet and kind person. May you rest in peace.
Linda Passmore Huey

Linda Passmore Huey - August 31, 2021 at 11:35 AM

EW

“ Linda David and Micha and family... I want you to know my thoughts and prayers are with you today and for the weeks and months to come . He was an amazing man . He was one of my dad's dearest friends even though they were miles apart. Now they're reunited again . I will cherish all of my memories of him and the time had with all of you growing up . Love and prayers, Elaine Seibel

Elaine Warren - August 29, 2021 at 02:56 PM

YS

“ Condolences to Linda and her beautiful family, on the loss of an amazing man. Dr. Derby was not only a friend, he was an excellent and loving doctor. His loss will be felt by many. RIP... The Steinkes.

Yasmin Steinke - August 28, 2021 at 03:59 PM

LR

Bob and Loretta Roberts were privileged to know the Derby's. It was an honor to sing in Bent Rim, with them playing drums and sax at Harmony. Harmony was blessed to have them in their ministry all those precious years. Love u Dale & Linda. Thanks for taking care of Aaron while he was attending Spartan. We'll see u again.

Loretta Roberts - August 29, 2021 at 07:45 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dr. Dale Derby.*



August 28, 2021 at 12:04 PM



“ *The Littlefields & Gibbs Families purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Dr. Dale Derby.*



The Littlefields & Gibbs Families - August 28, 2021 at 10:47 AM



“ *Dale extended God's love beautifully in every area of his life. We are thankful to have had the privilege to call him a friend a brother in Christ. Although his passing his left a void in many hearts and lives, may that pain be tempered with the knowledge that we will see him again and may the peace of God surround and comfort you in the days to come. Our hearts and prayers are with you, Norman and Ginger Cantrell*

Norm and Ginger Cantrell - August 28, 2021 at 09:21 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Dale Derby.*



August 27, 2021 at 10:52 PM

ST

“ Steve and Pam and Sandra and Tony purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Dr. Dale Derby.



Steve and Pam and Sandra and Tony - August 27, 2021 at 08:34 PM

CH

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Derby family. David, Debbi, Christy, and Beth Hayes

Christy Hayes - August 27, 2021 at 07:38 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dr. Dale Derby.



August 27, 2021 at 04:56 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. Dale Derby.



August 27, 2021 at 03:58 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dr. Dale Derby.*



August 27, 2021 at 12:27 PM



“ *Linda, I hope you can weather this event. Dale was a former intern of mine when I practiced in St. Louis and Linda was a former patient. All good folks. Memories of long ago I cherish.*
Edward A. Bruns, D.O.
Rolla, MO 65401

Edward A. Bruns, D.O. - August 27, 2021 at 10:53 AM



“ *The Bailey Education Foundation purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dr. Dale Derby.*



The Bailey Education Foundation - August 27, 2021 at 10:19 AM

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“ My prayers and thoughts go to the Derby family. I worked with Dr. Derby in the OR dept at Baily Medical center for a few years. I had much respect for him, He was a man of faith, honor and integrity who also loved his country. He will be greatly missed.His smile and compassion for the safety of his patients was evident.....also sprinkled with a bit of humor...he could put one at ease. You will be missed,, Dr. Derby.! I feel blessed to have known you. Lynn (Krebs) Null, R.N.

Lynn (Krebs)Null - August 27, 2021 at 10:17 AM



“ Cherished Memories was purchased for the family of Dr. Dale Derby.



August 26, 2021 at 11:14 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. Dale Derby.



August 26, 2021 at 10:49 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dr. Dale Derby.



August 26, 2021 at 08:57 PM

JL

“ Jeffrey Link purchased the Glorious Grace Bouquet for the family of Dr. Dale Derby.



Jeffrey Link - August 26, 2021 at 05:44 PM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Dr. Dale Derby.



August 26, 2021 at 02:47 PM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. Dale Derby.



August 26, 2021 at 02:46 PM

DB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the Derby family as they grieve. Dale was a wonderful example of dedication to Christ, and it was an honor to call him our friend. We look forward to seeing him again in Heaven. We continue to pray for Linda, Jackie, David and Micah, their families and friends as they celebrate Dale's extraordinary life.
Dr. and Mrs. Ken Bailey
Tokyo, Japan

Dr. and Mrs. Ken Bailey - August 26, 2021 at 12:35 PM