



Nelson LaVerne Wolfe D.D.S.

June 20, 1936 - November 13, 2018

Nelson LaVerne Wolfe was born June 20, 1936 at his home in Grant County, Indiana to Maynard LaVerne Wolfe and Mary Magdalene (Brown) Wolfe. He passed from this life on Tuesday, November 13, 2018, in Collinsville, Oklahoma, at the age of 82 years. Nelson was raised and educated in Swayzee, Indiana and graduated with the Swayzee High School Class of 1954. After high school he earned his Bachelor of Arts in Pre-Med from Asbury College in Wilmore, Kentucky and his Doctorate from Indiana University School of Dentistry in Bloomington, Indiana. Nelson enlisted and served his country in the United States Public Health Service. He was married to Hazel Jean (Ham) Wolfe on July 26, 1958 at Middlewell Methodist Church in Middlewell, Texas. He spent most of his life as a dentist in private practice, and also taught at dental schools: Medical College of Virginia, Emory University, and Oral Roberts University. Nelson was a charter member of The Anglican Church of St. Paul and has attended since October 1, 2006. He had a variety of pastimes such as using his pilot license to fly his own plane, studying pathology, gardening, traveling, teaching, photography, amateur radio, bee keeping, and most recently raising his beloved chickens. Those he leaves behind who hold many cherished memories include:

Wife;

Jean Wolfe, of Collinsville

Daughter;

Barb Kontje and husband Daniel, of Broken Arrow

2 Sons;

Greg Wolfe and wife Stacey, of Sunnyvale, California

Byron Wolfe and wife Barb, of Villanova, Pennsylvania

7 Grandchildren;

Matthew and Jennifer Kontje; Jordan, Sarah and Audrey Wolfe; and Ethan and Ben Wolfe.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Maynard and Mary, and Sister, Virginia.

Memorial Service will be held 10:00 a.m. Saturday, December 1, 2018 at the Mowery Funeral Service Chapel in Owasso with Pastor Chris Waters officiating. Visitation will be 5:00-8:00 PM, Friday, November 30 at Trinity House, 9210 N Garnett Road, Owasso. In lieu of flowers, the family request that donations be made in Nelson's memory to either St. Paul's Outreach Fund, P.O. Box 1858, Owasso, Oklahoma 74055, or the Nelson L. and H. Jean Wolfe Donor Advised Fund, checks payable to Communities Foundation of Oklahoma, P.O. Box 21210, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73156.

Arrangements and services were entrusted to Mowery Funeral Service of Owasso.

Previous Events

Memorial Fund

NOV 13 (CT)

St. Pauls Outreach Fund
PO Box 1858
Owasso, OK 74055

Memorial Fund

NOV 13 (CT)

Nelson L. and H. Donor Advised Fund C/O Community Foundation of Oklahoma
PO Box 21210
Oklahoma City, OK 73156

Visitation

NOV 30. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Trinity House
9210 N. Garnett Rd.
Owasso, OK 74055

Memorial

DEC 1. 10:00 AM (CT)

Mowery Funeral Service
9110 N. Garnett Rd.
Owasso, OK 74055
(918) 272-6244
<https://www.moweryfs.com/>

Tribute Wall

SH

“ I was lucky enough to work with Dr. Wolfe regarding the documentation that was required to make him eligible for placement at Fort Gibson Nat'l Cemetery. We shared common interests, that being of his surrounding area, along with my links to Texas and St. Louis. He was a dear man, and one who will be memorialized by us from now on.

Sherry - June 05, 2019 at 12:22 PM

DM

“ To the family of Dr Nelson Wolfe, I didn't know Nelson very well but always liked and respected him a lot. We did share being from Indiana and both attended Indiana University School of Dentistry. My condolences to the family. He was a fine man. David Marks DDS

David Marks - December 14, 2018 at 01:59 PM

MM

“ Mike Martin purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Nelson LaVerne Wolfe D.D.S..



Mike Martin - November 29, 2018 at 05:20 PM

JS

“ Jackie R. Sheldon lit a candle in memory of Nelson LaVerne Wolfe D.D.S.



Jackie R. Sheldon - November 22, 2018 at 12:27 AM

AS

“ Dr. Wolfe was one of the first dentists I ever worked for. He and his wife Jean were such kind and loving people, their family was very special to me. Lifting this family up in prayers and hope they find peace, knowing he is in the arms of Jesus. ❤️

Amy Shaw - November 21, 2018 at 06:24 PM

AZ

“ Although we rejoice that Nelson is now living in the glory of our Lord and Savior, we will miss his wonderful stories. However we hold on to the memories of our time together. We first knew Nelson and Jean in Barrow, Alaska when he served as a dentist for the community and Jean gave birth to their beautiful daughter. Stan and Nelson enjoyed "mushing" with the dog team Nelson put together as they explored the nearby coast. Amy and Stan Zent

Amy & Stan Zent - November 21, 2018 at 09:48 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Nelson LaVerne Wolfe D.D.S..



November 20, 2018 at 11:35 AM

DD

“ Sad to share news of the passing of Dr. Nelson Wolfe, DDS on 11/13/18. I met Nelson & his wife, Jean Wolfe, when we were all members of the former Church of the Holy Spirit Episcopal, now Christ Church Tulsa. Although I was from Missouri & they moved from Atlanta, we had a couple random ‘6 degrees of separation’ connections:

1. Nelson owned property in Cochise County, Arizona, where I lived for 6 years & Megan DiGregorio and Sarah Jane DiGregorio were born.
2. One of his earlier dental practices was in Alamosa, Colorado, where my aunt Florence and uncle Orion were his patients.

Nelson had a wide range of interests: mission work; small plane pilot who taught his granddaughter Jennifer Kontje how to fly before she was old enough to drive; a zillion hobbies that Jean can describe. True to form, when he was diagnosed earlier this year with terminal illness, Nelson promptly bought chickens to raise in order to ‘keep his mind off things’.

My personal favorite Nelson accomplishment was that he was the father of my dear friend Barb Kontje.

RIP good & faithful servant.  

Donna Durrin - November 19, 2018 at 08:47 PM

DS

“ I remember the last time I saw Nelson. We both arrived at the Trinity House for our church Bar B Q and he grabbed my arm and we walked arm in arm to the door. He talked a lot, mostly about the treatment and the doctors he was dealing with in OKC. Nelson will be remembered for his good mood, always ready to talk, (as long as it was something he was interested in), asked about how our family members were doing, and a sweet and generous person. When I went out to see his chickens, he had to show me from the beginning when he first got them, to his sitting in the pen with chickens jumping up on his lap to be fed. What good therapy that was for him. He, Jean and I started to church in Owasso at the same time. We had lots of similar events in our lives. My husband and Nelson were the same age, Jean & I same age, we all were married the same summer and celebrated birthdays in the same summer. I know Nelson's family will all have great memories of Nelson and he will be missed by many folks he has come in contact with in his life time. I know I will miss him a great deal. Dixie Spears

Dixie Spears - November 19, 2018 at 03:06 PM