



Stanley "Sam" Cook

February 13, 1947 - August 18, 2020

Stanley Jo "Sam" Cook of Davis, OK was born February 13, 1947 and was the one and only son of Joe and Ruth Cook. He passed away Tuesday August 18, 2020 at his home in Davis, OK being cared for by his loving wife Janet Cook. Sam was 73 years old.

Sam grew up in Pernell, OK and graduated from Pernell schools in 1965 as Salutatorian of his class of 12 students. He was active in sports, especially football, where he was quarterback of the first Pernell team to defeat Elmore City in school history. He was also selected for All Conference basketball his senior year. He received his Bachelors of Arts in Education in 1969 from East Central University and was immediately drafted to serve in the US Army under the I.D. division of the 101st Airborne Division in Vietnam. Returning from Vietnam he served as Military Police at Fort Rucker, AL. After his discharge in May of 1971 he began his career in education at Murray State College as a counselor, and then moved to Arizona to Northland Pioneer Community College in Winslow. After moving to Flagstaff, AZ Sam served as Director of Educational Support Services for 3 years at the University of Northeast Arizona. After returning home he worked as a teacher, counselor, and later principal at Tecumseh, Bethel, and Paola schools. He later served as Superintendent of Schools at Verden and Fletcher Public Schools where he retired in 1999. Sam spent his retirement running his small family cattle farm and visiting his girlfriends at Treasure Valley Casino. He became best known

for crafting small handmade wooden boxes which he enjoyed giving to friends and family throughout the years. In total, Sam made and gifted over 1,000 boxes and enjoyed carrying them in his pockets wherever he went just in case he met a person in need of a box.

Sam was preceded in death by his parents Joe and Ruth Cook. Mr. Cook is survived by his loving wife Janet; 2 step children, Justin Smith and his wife Amber Smith of Choctaw, OK and Kristin Snyder and her husband Josh Snyder of Poteau, OK; 4 grandchildren, Stihl Snyder, Trek Snyder, Scarlett Snyder, and Hunter Smith; 4 sisters, Dona Kennedy, Patsy Pyle, Margaret Colwell, Jeanne Holleman.

Cemetery Details

Foster Cemetery

Foster, OK

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 20. 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Wooster Funeral Home and Cremation Services (Elmore City)

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Graveside Service

AUG 21. 10:00 AM (CT)

Foster Cemetery

West of Elmore City approximately 5 miles; Foster post office turn right; continue on road.....cemete

Tribute Wall



“ *Wooster Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Stanley "Sam" Cook*



Wooster Funeral Home & Cremation Services - August 20, 2020 at 09:40 AM

SK

Oh, Sam. I am so saddened to learn of your passing. Was just taking stock of my life and thought I would contact you to catch up.....

*Last I spoke to Sam was in 2009. I met him through a mutual friend, someone he called his brother. Sam was like a brother to me. I could talk to him about anything and was shocked to learn he was married!! I would love to meet the woman who lassoed him! I read his obit through teary eyes and would love one of his wooden boxes if any are left. You would have loved my husband, wish you two could have met LOTS in common: educator, principal, etc. Rest in peace sweet friend.
Sheri Dodd (aka Sheralyn King and "Dippy")*

Sheralyn King - August 13, 2023 at 01:41 PM



“ *Stanley "Sam" Cook*

November 12, 2022 at 02:44 AM



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Wooster Funeral Home & Cremation Services - August 20, 2020 at 09:32 AM

DH

“ *I remember Sam from when he was the principal at Paoli. he was a good guy and all the kids seem to like him. I remember a time at the Junior/Senior prom when he brought a young lady as a date. Kids teased him that it was really his sister because they didn't think he could get a date! Lots of good natured teasing and Sam gave as good as he got.*

Darla Hamilton - August 20, 2020 at 08:52 AM

KT

“ *Mr. Cook was a kind man. He was funny, a good principal, and driver's Ed teacher. He had nerves of steel to teach all of us fools to drive. I have many fond memories of him. Rest well in the Gates of Heaven.*

Keri Thomas - August 20, 2020 at 06:27 AM

BM

“ Sam was my neighbor and school mate all of my growing up years. He was kind, great athlete and smart. I’m so sorry for his passing. I am saddened. 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏❤️

Brooke Moore - August 19, 2020 at 06:41 PM

PR

“ This Is Pat Tower Ruble, Sam was one my DAd's players he often talked about him to me he was Donna's baby brother. I am so sorry he is gone.

Pat Tower Ruble - August 19, 2020 at 06:22 PM