



## Larry Wayne Gaines

July 13, 1943 - April 13, 2026

Larry Wayne Gaines, 82, a longtime resident of Fairland, Oklahoma, passed away at his home on Monday April 13, 2026. Larry was born in Miami, Oklahoma, on July 13, 1943, to William H. and Lorene (Adams) Gaines. After high school, Larry served his country in the United States Army as a medic in Vietnam. After his time in the Army, Larry worked as a heavy machinery operator. He married the love of his life Michele Cochrane on June 18, 1970, in Enid, Oklahoma. Together they would spend many wonderful years together until her passing in 2020. Larry enjoyed fishing, dancing, having cold drinks with his friends at the VFW, and talking about the many stories he had from his past. He will always be remembered as a loving husband, father, and friend. Larry is preceded in passing by his wife of fifty years, Michele Gaines, parents, William H. and Lorene Gaines, and sister Carol Funk.

Survivors include his daughter, Tawni Gaines, adopted son, John Gaines, stepson, Wade Patterson, his grandchildren, Reid Gaines, Rylee Gaines, Ty Stovall, Lacy Gaines, Kayci Jantz, Kyler Patterson along with his great grandchildren Aric Stovall, Tyler Stovall, Ally Stovall and Makoy Jantz, Madox Jantz, nephew, Brian Funk, nephew, Steve Jenkins, niece, Alise Jackson and her husband Van, and great nephews and nieces, Christi, Michael, Kelly, Mckenna, and Little Mikki.

There will be a visitation for Mr. Gaines from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. on Friday April 17, 2026, at Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Miami, Oklahoma. Graveside Services are 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, April 18,

2026, at Fairland Cemetery. Services have been placed in the care of Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Miami.

Friends and family may send the family notes of encouragement by viewing Mr. Gaines' Tribute Page at [www.brown-winters.com](http://www.brown-winters.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Fairland Cemetery

Fairland, OK 74343

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 17. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service  
5 B Street NW  
Miami, OK 74354  
(918) 542-3311  
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## Graveside Service

APR 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

Fairland Cemetery  
Fairland, OK 74343

# Tribute Wall



“ *Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Larry Wayne Gaines*



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**Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service** - April 17 at 01:21 PM

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“ *Larry Wayne Gaines—50s memories from I & J streets. Recollection of our treks to the Coleman for the Saturday matinees. On one particular outing, Larry spotted a bear bottle in a nearby ditch, pick it up and began to stagger as he pretended to be drunk, but when he upended it, it still had enough in it to douse him. We were good enough friends that we sat through the movie with our “good smelling” friend and speculated about the reaction he would get when we returned home. Apparently, he survived, grew up well, honorably served his country and spent a lifetime accumulating friends. I also left the neighborhood, spent 26 years with the USAF on three continents to include Southeast Asia. Pleasant memories from the 50s and beyond. CMS Patrick Andrews, USAF, Retired*

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**Patrick Andrews** - April 18 at 07:27 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Larry Wayne Gaines.



April 16 at 11:27 PM



“ Bob Locke and the EV Gov't Sales Team purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Larry Wayne Gaines.



Bob Locke and the EV Gov't Sales Team - April 16 at 07:15 PM



“ 37 files added to the album Life Tributes



Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service - April 16 at 05:49 PM

VJ

“ *Van & Alisa Jackson purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Larry Wayne Gaines.*



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**Van & Alisa Jackson** - April 15 at 09:13 PM