



William E Saunders

June 22, 1940 - September 29, 2015

William “Ed” Edwin Saunders, 75, of Miami passed away Tuesday, September 29, 2015 at his home. Mr. Saunders was born on June 22, 1940 in Joplin, Missouri to Mason B. and Melva (Stalnaker) Saunders. He graduated from Noel High School, and then attended Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College. He then received his bachelor’s in Chemical Engineering from the Missouri School of Mines in January of 1963. While working for Phillips Petroleum he met his wife Carolyn Loeffelholz, they were married June 20, 1964. He went on to work at Eagle Picher for 34 years. Ed attended Sacred Heart Catholic Church, was a member of Grand Lake Audubon Society and Midwestern Hunter’s Association. Mr. Saunders was preceded in passing by his parents Mason and Melva Saunders.

Survivors include his wife Carolyn Saunders of the home, his daughters Becky Cotner and her husband Steve of Seminole, Oklahoma, Teri Saunders and her husband J.P. Reynolds of Winter Haven, Florida, a brother Ron Saunders of Noel, Missouri and his grandchildren Will and Kaylyn Cotner.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **5.** 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service
5 B Street NW
Miami, OK 74354
(918) 542-3311
info@brown-winters.com
<https://www.brown-winters.com>

Vigil Service and Rosary

OCT **5.** 7:30 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Service

OCT **6.** 10:00 AM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
2515 North Main
Miami, OK 74354
sacredheartmiami@cableone.net
<http://www.dioceseoftulsa.org/index.cfm?load=org&org=51>

Tribute Wall



“ *Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of William E Saunders*



Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service - October 08, 2015 at 01:17 PM

MS

“ *Carolyn and family, I just learned from Ron of Ed's passing. You have my deepest sympathy. I have many fond memories of Ed as a teenager, as my family spent lots of time with Aunt Melva and Uncle Mason. Even though Ed and Ron were older than my brother, Jim and me, they still took time to entertain us. The last time I saw Ed was at Aunt Melva's funeral service. I did not know he was battling cancer. My Mom and Dad, Ed and Arlene Stalaker thought the world of both Ed and Ron. Please know that I will keep you and your family in my thoughts and prayers. Love. Mary Kay Stalaker-Boyd*

Mary Stalaker-Boyd - October 29, 2015 at 03:45 PM

LO

“ *I was sorry to hear the passing of one of the best Chemical Engineers and person that worked for Eagle-Picher all during my 39 years working with Ed. He was always a patience and understand co-worker that helped developed many processes at the Boron plant. May God comfort the family in this time of life. Larry Olds*

Larry Olds - October 12, 2015 at 09:27 PM

RM

“ I worked for Ed at EP many years ago, and lived across the street from his home in Miami for several years. He was the most decent man I ever knew , and he always treated those around him with respect and courtesy. My heart goes out to his family.

Randy Mays - October 06, 2015 at 12:29 AM

MO

“ Marcia & Fred Oberloh lit a candle in memory of William E Saunders



Marcia & Fred Oberloh - October 05, 2015 at 10:35 PM

KR

“ Karen Rodgers lit a candle in memory of William E Saunders



Karen Rodgers - October 05, 2015 at 10:08 PM

DW

“ Debbie Wilmoth lit a candle in memory of William E Saunders



Debbie Wilmoth - October 05, 2015 at 09:37 AM

CM

“ *Charla Miller lit a candle in memory of William E Saunders*



Charla Miller - October 04, 2015 at 09:56 AM

CM

“ *Dear Mrs. Saunders and family - Was so sad to hear of Ed's passing. He really was such a neat person. Although when I first saw Ed when I transferred from the Miami EP to the Quapaw EP, I was actually a little intimidated by his few words and serious look. His look remained serious, for the most part. And intimidation was replaced with respect and not to mention Ed grew the best cherry tomatoes I ever had in my life! Ed will be missed, to be sure and he will never be forgotten. Sincerely – Charla Miller*

Charla Miller - October 04, 2015 at 09:53 AM

BT

“ *So sorry to hear about Ed passing away he was a great husband and dad. We always had fond memories hanging out at the Saunder's house. All of you are in our prayers.
Amy & Beth Turner*




Beth Turner - October 02, 2015 at 09:13 PM

MC

“ *Teri and Becky: Prayers to you and the family.
Monica Cox*

Monica Cox - October 02, 2015 at 12:02 PM

 James
Reising

“ I was very sorry to hear of Ed's death. Although it's been over 35 years since I left Eagle Picher, I still fondly remember floating the Buffalo with your family, especially the time we had to carry rafts overland due to rising water.

Jim Reising

James Reising - October 02, 2015 at 12:01 PM

EC

“ I am so sorry to hear of Ed's passing. I worked with him at E-P and he worked closely with my dad. My prayers are with your family and I am so sorry again! He will be missed!

Erin Corbit - October 02, 2015 at 10:03 AM

JR

“ I am sorry to hear of Ed's death. Although it has been quite a few years since I worked at Eagle Picher, I'll always remember the raft trips we went on -- especially carrying the rafts cross-country when the Buffalo River rose suddenly.

My heartfelt condolences to your family.

Jim Reising

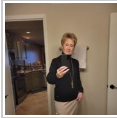
Jim Reising - October 02, 2015 at 09:54 AM

MJ

“ We are very sad at learning of the death of our dear friend Ed, We both worked with him at Eagle Picher, He was always a willing worker, ready to help anyone who needed it And he always had a good word for everyone. May God give his family comfort during this difficult time. If we can be of help please let us know. Thinking of you and sharing your sorrow. God Bless,
Glen and Maxine Jones



maxine jones - October 01, 2015 at 06:28 PM



Sorrow to hear of Ed's passing. I worked with him at the Boron plant for many years he always had a smile on his face and I never heard anything negative about him a kind person. He coached my twin daughters Kathy and Karen Burrow in soft ball and they always thought of him as a sweet kind man. Our prayers are with Carolyn and family.

Carolyn Godfrey - October 02, 2015 at 02:41 PM

GJ

“ Our hearts are sad learning of the death of our dear friend Ed. We worked with Ed at Eagle Picher., He was a wonderful person always a willing worker and always willing to help anyone he could and always had a good word for everyone. May God give you strength through this difficult time. If we can be of any help please let us know. Sharing your sorrow.
Glen and Maxine Jones



glen jones - October 01, 2015 at 06:09 PM