

BRUCE WAYNE LAMAR



Bruce Wayne Lamar, 71, of Callahan, passed away Monday, September 9, 2024 in Jacksonville. Bruce was born June 3, 1953, in Sapulpa, Oklahoma to William Claude Lamar, Jr. and Juanita Tuttle Lamar. He grew up on a 160-acre farm in Mounds, Oklahoma, where his paternal grandparents owned a farm as well. In school, Bruce excelled in academics and in the Beggs High School Future Farmers of America chapter. He won numerous awards in horticulture, livestock and public speaking and held offices at both the local and state levels.

After he graduated from Beggs High School in 1971, he proudly served his country for 6 years in the United States Army. Later, he attended college at Oklahoma State University and Northeast Oklahoma A & M and later received a Bachelor of Theology degree from Jacksonville Baptist Theological Seminary.

When he was 18 years old, Bruce made the greatest decision of his life while attending Falls Creek Baptist Youth Camp in Oklahoma. He decided to follow the Lord Jesus Christ and later felt called to serve in Christian ministry. For over 20 years, Bruce served as a youth director, music minister, associate pastor, and pastor in churches in Oklahoma and Florida. In his later years, he worked in various other fields, primarily in fencing and automatic gate operations, but his greatest passion remained serving Jesus Christ in the local church. He continued to teach Bible Fellowship classes at Callahan First Baptist Church until his passing. Bruce was preceded in death by his parents.

The family would like to extend gratitude to all those who have expressed their condolences and loved our family so well through this difficult time.

He is survived by his wife of almost 44 years, Jean Brophy Lamar; his four children Nathan Wayne Lamar; Kharmon Lamar (James) Wofford, Aimee Lamar (Shaun) Roddenberry and Jared Michael (Whitney) Lamar; 13 grandchildren Nathan, Jr., Noah, Jonah and Eli Lamar, Preston and Kerstyn Ginnetto, Tristen, Wyatt and Layton Roddenberry, Everly, Amelia, Josiah and Olivia Lamar; three great-grandchildren; and sister Liane Downing.

The family received friends Monday, September 16 at Callahan First Baptist Church. The funeral service was held Tuesday, September 17 also at the church. Burial followed in Jones Cemetery in Callahan.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate any donations in memory of Bruce to be made to Callahan First Baptist Church, marked "Faith Commitment" for missions.

Condolences may be expressed at www.srfhcallahan.com.

Arrangements by Shepard Roberson-Callahan Chapel, 717365 Brandies Avenue, Callahan.

"For the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared to the glory that will be revealed to us." Romans 8:18