



Riley Alan Watson

March 25, 1956 - January 22, 2026

Riley Alan “Alan” Watson, age 69, of Sulphur, Oklahoma, passed away peacefully on January 22, 2026, surrounded by his loving family and friends. Born in Ardmore, Oklahoma on March 25, 1956, Alan lived a life defined by hard work, integrity and devotion to those he loved. He married Mary Margaret Smith on 30 th of November 1996.

Alan graduated from Sulphur High School in 1974. He then attended Murray State College and graduated with an associate degree in science. He finished his education and graduated in 1979 from East Central University with a bachelor’s degree of science.

Alan began his career in the oil industry in 1980 in Farmington, New Mexico, where his dedication and strong work ethic quickly earned him respect of his colleagues. In 1985, he returned home to Sulphur and purchased the local Texaco station, becoming a familiar and trusted figure in the community.

In 1994, Alan began working for Jack Exploration, Inc., and moved to Freedom, Oklahoma, where his leadership and business insight led him later to become part-owner of the company. He also consulted with Redland Resources Inc., sharing his extensive knowledge of the energy industry and his commitment to fair, honest work.

Throughout his career, Alan was admired for his professionalism, direct speaking and fun-loving attitude he showed to everyone he encountered.

Outside of work, Alan loved the outdoors and the simple joy of country life. He enjoyed elk hunting in Colorado, pheasant hunting in Kansas, deer hunting at his Keno Creek Ranch in Oklahoma and fishing at the lake just behind the house. His happiest days were spent at his ranch-tending to his cows, enjoying the peace of the land and spending time with the pups.

Alan is survived by his loving wife, Mary Margaret and their fur babies, Bella, Finn and Phoebe, his sister, Sherri, and brother-in-law Mike Miller. Nieces Cassie Todd and husband Casey, Shelby Young and husband, Trae; niece Tori Watson; nephew Zac Watson; two great nieces Tinsley Todd and Teal Young; and great nephew Tydus Young.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Mary Dove Watson, brother Terry

Watson and daughter, Misty Watson.

A celebration of Alan's life will be held on Saturday, February 7, 2025 at 1:00PM at the First Christian Church in Sulphur, Oklahoma.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

FEB 7. 1:00 PM (CT)

First Christian Church
403 West Muskogee Ave
Sulphur, OK 73086
(580) 622-3257

Tribute Wall

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Tori Watson - January 29 at 02:32 PM

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“ Alan always had the sweetest smile and I thought he was one of the most handsome & friendliest men in Sulphur. The last time Ed & I saw him, he gave us both hugs and bought our lunch. What a treasure. Fly high Alan

Skip & Ed Thompson - January 26 at 10:43 PM