



Roy Dean Roundtree

October 22, 1951 - February 26, 2022

Roy Dean Roundtree, 70, of Sulphur, passed away on 26 February, 2022. Funeral services will be held at St Francis Xavier Roman Catholic Church in Sulphur at 1:00 PM on Tuesday March 8, 2022, followed directly by burial at Drake Nebo Cemetery.

Roy was born in Sulphur on October 22, 1951. He was a craftsman, blacksmith, outdoorsman, vintner, luthier, musician, veteran, family historian, and avid self-educator. A graduate of Mill Creek High School, Roy attended courses East Central University, gained a Certificate in Biblical Studies at a Bible College in Florida and served as a pastor of a church in New Mexico, later receiving the Education for Ministry certificate from the University of the South in Sewanee, TN. With a brief stint as a scuba diver in his youth, and after receiving an honorable discharge from the US Army, Roy gave most of his life to law enforcement in Oklahoma. He was an officer with the police department in Ardmore, and later assigned with OHP, Lake Patrol Division, at Lake Thunderbird. After 25 years of active duty, Roy retired from the State of Oklahoma's Department of Wildlife Conservation as a Game Warden first in Sequoyah County and then Murray County. Roy then went on to serve as the 911 Center's Coordinator in Murray County for four years and was instrumental in its consolidation as the public safety answering point for the county in 2010. He gave many volunteer hours to the American Legion Post 148 in Sulphur.

He was preceded in death by his father, Jimy Roundtree, who was killed in

action in Korea, 1952. He was a cherished member of a large extended family, full of aunts, uncles and cousins; a much loved father-figure and 'Papa' to many. He is survived by his wife of 28 years Kathy, his mother Alene, his children Clay, Monica, Joseph, Calvin; his daughters-in-law Frances and Michell, and son-in-law Shawn; his grandchildren Crispin, Jude, Isaac, Ryan and Amy; as well as his brothers Monty and Brian and sisters-in-law Dixie and Annette. Da pacem Domine: give peace O Lord.

In lieu of flowers the family request donations to be made to the Drake Cemetery through Vision Bank in Sulphur or to the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife

Previous Events

Funeral Service

MAR 8. 1:00 PM (CT)

St Francis Xavier Catholic Church
1313 E 7th St
Sulphur, OK 73086
(580) 622-3070

Tribute Wall

RF

“ Thursday, February 26 marks 4 years since Roy's passing. Roy was my best friend in the Wildlife Department. We spent many days and nights working together in our efforts to protect fish and Wildlife here in Oklahoma and let me tell you we had some high times in pursuit of those who chose not to follow the rules, both legal and ethical. Roy was probably the most talented guy I ever met. He could build you a saddle, make a terrific musical instrument, taxidermy last fall's harvested buck and preach you a good uplifting sermon at the same time!

Roy was as honest as the day was long and he always showed mercy instead of harshly treating those who violated the wildlife code.

I was witness to all of these character traits Roy displayed and he was someone you couldn't go wrong following his example.

Roy was also an excellent navigator throughout our aviation escapades together.

I have his picture on my refrigerator so I am able to express thoughts about him most every day. He's missed.

Robert J Fleenor - February 23 at 12:37 PM



“ Roy Dean Roundtree

October 05, 2023 at 07:47 PM

TS

“ Nick and I were sorry to hear the news. We'd have been at the services had we known. Our love to all of you, especially Clay and Monica.

Teresa and Nick Schwake - March 09, 2022 at 10:54 PM

BM

“ I've had the privilege of spending quite some time with Roy and that time will not be forgotten. He was so warm and welcoming, telling me stories about his career and adventures. He always made me feel like family.

Sending condolences to all. Mr. Roundtree will be missed.----

Bansari Mehta

Bansari Mehta - March 07, 2022 at 08:57 AM

TK

“ Thankful for your dad's life, Monica and Clay & all who blessed him, especially his wife Kathy. May God hold you all in the palm of His hand. My love & prayers. 🙏❤️🙏

Theresa A King - March 06, 2022 at 02:56 PM

TK

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Theresa A King - March 06, 2022 at 02:52 PM

LB

“ Alene, Monty, Brian and Annette I am so sorry for your loss. Roy was a kind thoughtful man. All of you are in my thoughts and prayers. May God Bless and comfort each of you during your time of loss.

Lisa Cain Bell

Lisa Cain Bell - March 04, 2022 at 12:18 PM

DP

“ On Easter morning at my Grandmas, Roy’s mother, I was sitting in the living room and I just could not stop hiccuping. Uncle Roy looked at me concerned and then asked me a serious sounding question. He said “ Dylan, when was the last time you saw a rabbit running around?” I had thought for a solid 5 minutes and he just stared at me waiting for an answer. I finally told him that i couldn’t remember the last time I had seen a rabbit. He smiled and said that doesn’t matter, but it sure did make you stop hiccuping and now it’s quiet! Every time I hear a kid hiccuping I always look at them and ask them the exact same question. And let me tell you it works every time. And I always say that my Uncle Roy taught me that trick a long time ago. Looking back on it, it makes me thankful I have something I use because of him. I love you Roy. Thank you for impacting my life.

Dylan Parkey - March 02, 2022 at 04:47 PM