



Thomas B. "Oscar" Grafton

June 14, 1935 - February 23, 2021

Thomas Biggs "Oscar" Grafton, of Vanndale, died on Tuesday, February 23, 2021, at his home. We are thankful that he is finally healed and is whole again!

Thomas was born in Memphis, Tennessee, on June 14, 1935, to the late Wallin Biggs Grafton and Dorothy Green Grafton. He worked for Halstead for 28 years and worked with his dad and Bob Stafford in Grafton Mercantile. He loved to hunt, fish, and work in his yard. He served in the National Guard and was deployed to Little Rock during the Central High School Integration. In 1957, he married Miss Glenda Davis and made Cherry Valley - Vanndale Communities their home where they raised two boys, Jeff and Scott. What a wonderful man our "Tuddie" was. He was caring and a great encouragement to others. Most of all that he was proud of his family. We were blessed and proud to call him the leader of our family! We have learned so many valuable lessons from this man and are beyond grateful that he was able to teach those same lessons to his grandchildren and great grandchildren. We are all saddened, but could never ask for him back in the shape he was in recently.

He is survived by his loving wife of 64 years, Glenda Davis Grafton of the home, sons, Jeff Grafton of Vanndale, Scott Grafton and wife Kris of Marion, uncle William Grafton of Clifton, Tennessee, grandchildren, Aaron Grafton, Emily McGee, Sarah Weslea, Sydney Elise, and Emma Jane Grafton, great

grandchildren, Canon, Cash, and Caden McGee, and Katie Grafton. He is also survived by his long time best friend and neighbor, Coy Ward.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Wallin and Dorothy Grafton, brother, David Grafton, stepsiblings, Beverly Thompson and Jimmy Rowe, and brother, Bob Stafford.

Graveside services will be held on Wednesday, March 3, 2021, at 10 AM at Vanndale Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude's Childrens Hospital, 501 St. Jude's Place, Memphis, Tn 38105 or online at www.stjude.org.

Arkansas Department of Health guidelines for COVID-19, states that face coverings are required for any indoor gatherings, please always maintain social distancing. Thank you for your kindness and cooperation in following these guidelines.

Cemetery Details

Vanndale Cemetery

Vanndale, AR

Previous Events

Graveside service

MAR 3 (CT)

Vanndale Cemetery
Vanndale, AR

Tribute Wall

RL

“ Prayers and sympathy in the loss of Oscar.
Brenda and Rev. Sam Long

Rev. Sam LOng - March 03, 2021 at 09:00 PM

VH

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Oscar's passing. He was a great friend. I got acquainted with him when I started working at Halstead back in 1983. He was always so kind and gracious to any employee. Before he walked away from talking to anyone he would always mention his family. He will truly be missed by all who knew him. Rest in peace my friend until I see you again. Love you Glenda. Valinda

Valinda Hamilton - March 03, 2021 at 05:22 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas B. "Oscar" Grafton.



March 02, 2021 at 07:51 PM

BJ

“ Mr. Grafton always brought us joy, love, and smiles to the staff of Wynne Family Eye Care. We will never forget how he made us feel special and loved.
He will be missed.
Love,
Becca Jackson

Becca Jackson - March 02, 2021 at 02:54 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas B. "Oscar" Grafton.*



March 02, 2021 at 09:47 AM



“ *St. Bernard's ICU purchased the Sweet Remembrance Spray for the family of Thomas B. "Oscar" Grafton.*



St. Bernard's ICU - March 01, 2021 at 01:07 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Thomas B. "Oscar" Grafton.*



March 01, 2021 at 01:04 PM



“ *So many happy memories of all the years working closely! Being the mentor for the maintenance dept. At Halstead, I was always grateful for Oscar's help and support. He was a wonderful man, who always put his family first in his life! My prayers are with you all in this sad time.*

Diana Halstead Jones - February 27, 2021 at 11:04 AM

JP

“ Glenda, Jeff, and Scott, you have so many memories to get you through this, may the Lord help you through this time...

Judy Pufahl - February 25, 2021 at 07:19 PM

SW

“ Dear mrs Glenda, I am so very sorry to hear about mr Oscar . I know you will deeply miss him ,but I also know you will see him again (this is I know.)I have always known you as a child growing up, but grew closer to you when I came into mrs Winnie and Lulu's life and you,Mr.Oscar,Mrs.Glenda And Mr.Otis were my best friends. You all kept the Vanndale church alive and I seen what real men and women of God were, and the love of God is. When me, and momma cleaned the church Mr.Otis was there diligently working all the time fixing something and you in the flower beds. you two would tickle me pink!!! I know Mr.and Mrs.Sigman had a great respect for you and Mr. Oscar. They were always speaking highly of you both, they would be sad to hear the news, but no one ever wants anyone to suffer, and we know that Mr.Oscar is in a better place, I am truly again sorry for your loss ,and am praying for you, all my love, sherry (Wilson)wallies

sherry wallies - February 25, 2021 at 11:18 AM

SW

“ Sherry Wallies lit a candle in memory of Thomas B. "Oscar" Grafton



sherry wallies - February 25, 2021 at 10:31 AM

DT

“ *Jeff and family, I'm so sorry for your loss*
Danny Thomas

danny thomas - February 24, 2021 at 10:31 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for*
the family of Thomas B. "Oscar" Grafton.



February 24, 2021 at 08:57 PM