



Gary Allen Keitz

May 3, 1954 - November 21, 2025

Gary Allen Keitz, 71, of Kenefic, Oklahoma, passed away peacefully at his home on Friday, November 21, 2025. Gary was born on May 3, 1954, in Denison, Texas, to Melvin Ray Keitz and Carolyn Marie (Turner) Keitz.

A proud graduate of Denison High School, Gary went on to further his education in plumbing and HVAC. Throughout his life, he was a hardworking and skilled tradesman, building a career that included plumbing, HVAC work, carpentry, and general contracting. His craftsmanship and dedication touched many homes and lives over the years.

On September 2, 1972, Gary married the love of his life, Jeanette Ashford, in Denison, Texas. Together they built a beautiful life and, in 1986, made their home in Durant, Oklahoma. Gary was a faithful member of the Caddo Church of Christ.

Gary lived life with a deep appreciation for the outdoors and the simple joys of family. He loved hunting, fishing, woodworking, and smoking meat, but nothing brought him more happiness than spending time with his loved ones. His presence, laughter, and steady guidance will be forever missed.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Melvin and Carolyn Keitz, and his sister, Penny.

Gary is survived by his devoted wife of 53 years, Jeanette Keitz of the home; his four children: Dodee Hammond and husband Joseph of Choctaw, OK; Alisha Dettling and husband Chad of McKinney, TX; Jennifer Wesley and husband John Paul of Durant, OK; and Mark Keitz and wife Jamie of Tatum, TX. He is also survived by his brother Ricky Keitz and wife Vickie of Bells, TX.

Gary leaves behind a cherished legacy in his grandchildren: Teddy Hammond, Timothy Hammond and wife Lauren, Helen Hammond, Luke Dettling, Emma Dettling, Jake Dettling, Benjamin Wesley and wife Taylor, Ryan Wesley and wife Jo, Kaylee Keitz, Emilee Keitz, Beau Keitz, and Oliver Keitz Pinto; and his great-grandchildren: Shepherd Hammond, Conner Wesley, Hadlee Wesley, Walker Wesley, and Baby Silas Wesley, who will arrive soon.

Family visitation will be held at Brown's Funeral Service on Tuesday, November 25, 2025, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for friends and family.

Gary's life was a testament to hard work, devotion, and love. He will be deeply missed and forever remembered by all who knew him.

<https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/TGYQHYP32MJ595MH>

Previous Events

Family and Friends Visitation

NOV **25**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Brown's Funeral Service - Durant
4900 West US Hwy 70
Durant, OK 74701
(580) 920-0393
info@brownsfuneralservice.com
<https://www.brownsfuneralservice.com/>

There will be no other services beyond the family visitation.

Tribute Wall



“ *Brown's Durant Funeral Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Gary Allen Keitz*



Brown's Durant Funeral Service - November 24, 2025 at 04:43 PM

AD

So sorry to see this, Gary was a really great man and a friend! Prayers for the family.

Arty Page (Page Garage Doors) - November 25, 2025 at 06:55 PM

RE

Only wished I had seen him prior this awful loss. I have not seen Gary in 50 years. When he lived with his grandparents in Caddo we were the best friends. I will forever remember those days with Gary. Will hopefully see you again Gary

Reggie - December 14, 2025 at 12:22 AM

DW

*I just found Gary's obituary today, I wish I could have attended his service.
Gary changed my life for me when I was 26. If it wasn't for him, I probably wouldn't be here to write this. He was a good man and has a good family.
Donald Wells*

Donald Wells - December 23, 2025 at 04:27 PM

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“ So sorry to hear of Gary's passing. I met Gary at SOSU and thought a lot of him.

Humberto (Beto) - December 01, 2025 at 04:32 PM



“ 106 files added to the album Gallery of Pictures



Brown's Durant Funeral Service - November 24, 2025 at 04:47 PM

JS

“ When Gary was in good health, he was always at the door of the church building to welcome everyone who came. He was so generous also to share eggs with us and the church from his chickens. He always had a sunny smile on his face. He was a special man.

James and Carol Snyder - November 24, 2025 at 09:31 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Gary Allen Keitz.



November 24, 2025 at 08:34 AM

BP

“ Although we lost touch the past few years, the Keitz family will always be dear to me. Gary was such a unique individual. We shared many good times, from church activities to hunting trips to working on Robert's brick jobs together. The cabinets he built for us were true master pieces! Gary knew how richly God had blessed him: the most beautiful wife, amazing kids, grands and great grands, and ability to provide for their needs.
Much love to you all!



Becky Peterson - November 24, 2025 at 12:02 AM