



## Zefe Laborico

September 9, 2021

Zefe Laborico passed away peacefully Thursday, September 9, 2021 at the age of 42 after his battle with Covid. He was born in his beloved Nebraska and lived in Durant, Oklahoma the rest of his days. It was not a choice he made, but he built an amazing life here.

Zefe was a momma's boy to the core! Theresa loved him fiercely and it showed in the way he loved others. It gives us great comfort knowing they were not separated for long. Zefe married Charlee, the only woman who would put up with him, aside from his mother, who said she could return him at any time. Zefe and Charlee were married May 8, 2010, and have three beautiful girls, Gabbi (10), Izzy (7), and Evie (1), who he adored.

Zefe attended Victory Life Academy where he would not have made it without the help and love of Miss Lindley. Victory Life Church was where he and his family fellowshiped. Zefe loved working with his hands, especially on cars. He worked with close friends Todd & Parker Holland at Randy's Body Shop. He prided himself on knowing all makes and models of vehicles – and who in town drove them! He was passionate about hunting and included anyone he could force into it – especially his daughters. Zefe had a laugh and smile that filled every room he was in. We will miss his ability to make you so mad in one second and smile the next. He was ornery and loving in the same breath.

Those left to care for his precious girls are his Pops, Zefe Laborico; his wingman Robby Laborico, and wife Ashley; hunting partner & nephew Caleb Hernandez; and Gunner Laborico, who has blessed all of our lives; family Brandon & Tammy Johnson, Jesse & Melista Lewis, Josh & Melissa Garrett, Tim & Larissa Lee, Bryan & Jamee Wix and Caleb & Erica Daniels. Also left behind are brothers Juan and Manuel Hernandez

Services for Zefe will be held Monday, September 13, 2021 at Victory Life Church. Zefe had a dislike for flowers, and mowed over them every chance he had, and never bought them for his wife. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the benefit account for the Laborico families at First United Bank, account #5446880.

His family will be forever grateful for the amazing care and support given to Charlee and Zefe while he was at Alliance Health Durant. They became a family over the last month. The family would like to say a special thank you to Dr. Gordon, nurses Angie, Lydia, Logan, Ashley, Carrie, Jill, Lisa, Shelby, Kearstyn, Janica, and Dianne, and respiratory therapists Amanda, Andrew, & Tim.

<https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/47T5K8X239TJ2WPR>

# Cemetery Details

## Highland Cemetery

1620 Cemetery Rd  
Durant, OK

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **12**. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Brown's Funeral Chapel  
4900 West US Hwy 70  
Durant, OK 74701

## Funeral Service

SEP **13**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Victory Life Church  
3412 University Blvd.  
Durant, OK

# Tribute Wall



“ *Brown's Durant Funeral Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Zefe Laborico*



**Brown's Durant Funeral Service** - September 12, 2021 at 04:27 PM

ST

*I can believe this happened my man. I remember growing up next door to you and your family. You guys were some of the nicest people growing up. You Robby and me all played soccer together. My thoughts and prayers are with your dad and Robbie. Can't believe you are gone Zefe and Theresa.*

**stuart** - September 13, 2021 at 09:38 AM



“ *Zefe Laborico*

January 08, 2023 at 11:32 PM

ET

“ *He was my favorite my aunt dated him when I was younger he always me laugh and feel special ill miss you uncle zefe and love you I know your looking down on all of us smiling watch over us till we meet again* ❤️😭🙏

**Emilie tumey** - September 12, 2021 at 10:05 PM

NB

“ I have several memories with Zefe but one sticks out the most to me. Back in 2005 I was a young man who had grown up in a bad, bad family situation. I was at the Victory Life Coffee Shop waiting for Fusion (Young adults ministry) to start on a Monday night. I had been a time or two but not really talked to anyone. Zefe pulls up in that white Dodge pickup he used to drive and sees I’m about the only one there. He says “Man I’m thirsty. Get in let’s go get ocean waters from Sonic”. If you knew Zefe you read that in his voice. We go to Sonic and chat about his truck that he had customized. Someone calls him while we are coming back and he says “I’m in the way back, had to get an ocean water with my buddy.” For a super shy guy like me without any friends that meant a lot to me. That in a short story is the best way to describe who Zefe was. A giant was lost this week. Prayers for his whole family and all his friends.

Noah Bianchi - September 12, 2021 at 06:07 PM

PW

“ Patty Watkins lit a candle in memory of Zefe Laborico



Patty Watkins - September 11, 2021 at 08:04 PM

PW

“ I always loved Zefe, Theresa and this family when I lived in and served Durant Public Schools. My most favorite memory was when he and Brandon used my Red Mercedes to take their dates to prom!! That memory and their smiles have been imbedded in my head since that day!

You are and your Mom are both gone to soon! Rest in peace you will be greatly missed. Your family will be in my prayers for strength, courage and support by those that love you.

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**patty wilhite** - September 11, 2021 at 07:27 PM

JM

One of my favorite memories was when Zefe called and ask for Charlee's hand in marriage I ask a couple of times was he sure it was char. But he assured me that she was his everything. I had chars name tattooed on my wrist so I went and put Zefe name above hers. So he went an told Theresa he would have to merry her now because I had branded my self with his name. He was the best friend husband and father I could have ever ask for my daughter and granddaughters. You will be missed by everyone that new an loved you. I could not have ask for a better son in law.

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**jackie wells chars mom** - September 11, 2021 at 07:48 PM

SS

The Laboricos were our neighbors when my sons were little. They played back and forth between our houses, and sports together as they grew older. I am so sorry to hear of the loss of Theresa and Zefe. I know they will be greatly missed. My heart goes out to all of you left to this double loss in your family. Prayers, hugs and love. Sarah (Almon) Schild.

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**Sarah Schild** - September 13, 2021 at 05:02 PM

MS

*The Laborico family were stalwarts in our community. They were one of the families that got soccer started in Durant. Never wanting any attention. Zefe grew up with my son, Todd. They were best buddies in grade school.*

*We truly loved that family.*

*I'm so sorry to here of the passing of Theresa, too.*

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**Mike Simpson** - September 13, 2021 at 11:09 PM