

## Bobby "Bob" Ray Harper

October 16, 1934 - January 26, 2025

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Bobby Ray Harper, a loving husband, devoted father and grandfather, a lifelong fisherman and beloved member of his community. Bob passed away surrounded by family on Sunday, January 26th, 2025, at the age of 90.

Although he was born in Fairfax, Oklahoma, Bob was a proud resident of Bartlesville, Oklahoma, where he and his wife raised their family since 1955. Bob worked at Phillips Petroleum Company at the Research Center for 39 years with an unwavering work ethic.

Bob's favorite thing in life was family and being in a boat on the water. Bob was a proud member of "Stump Jumpers" for 32 years. He spent almost every morning the last several years at Pop's Daylight Donuts, sharing fish stories with his buddies.

Bob was an active member of the First Church of the Nazarene in Bartlesville.

His memory will live on with his beloved children, Dianne, Debbie and Michael; their spouses; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

Bob's beautiful wife of 62 years, Yvonne, will be waiting for him at heaven's

gates. Bob is also preceded in death by his grandson, Brian Rice.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations may be made to the First Church of the Nazarene Youth Group in Bartlesville.

Visitation will be held from 12-8 Thursday, January 30, 2025, at Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory – Walker Brown Chapel, 4201 Nowata Road, Bartlesville, OK 74006, 918-333-7665.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, January 31, 2025, at First Church of the Nazarene in Bartlesville with Reverend David Mosher officiating. Interment will follow at Memorial Park Cemetery in Bartlesville. Services are under the direction of Carter Davis and Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory – Walker Brown Chapel. Online condolences and remembrances may be shared at [www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com](http://www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Memorial Park Cemetery Bartlesville

4200 Nowata Road  
Bartlesville, OK 74006

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 30. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory - Walker Brown Chapel  
4201 Nowata Rd  
Bartlesville, OK 74006  
(918) 333-7665  
davisfamilyfuneralhome@gmail.com

## Funeral Service

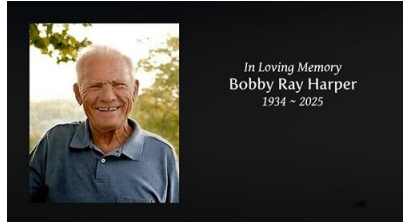
JAN 31. 2:00 PM (CT)

Bartlesville First Nazarene Church  
3650 SE Adams Blvd.  
Bartlesville, OK 74006

# Tribute Wall



“ *Davis Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Bobby "Bob" Ray Harper*



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**Davis Family Funeral Home** - January 30, 2025 at 02:41 PM

JD

“ *Mr Harper was always the sweetest greeter on Sundays. He and his wife always made me feel welcome at church and it was lovely to see how they just shone with love for God's children, their grandkids, and sweetly, for each other.*

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**Jacqi Davis** - February 12, 2025 at 05:38 PM

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“ I met Bob when I joined the Stump Jumpers in the late 90's. Sometimes I was lucky enough to draw Bob as a partner for a tournament. We always had a good time fishing together, at least I did. On one occasion, Bob and I were partnered up for a tournament at Lake Spavinaw. We were in his beautiful white and blue Champion bass boat. It was my turn to run the trolling motor on the bow. I got myself situated, started off at a slow speed (I think), then I heard a couple of thumps and a splash behind me. I turned around and saw Bob's feet sticking straight up out of the water for a brief moment. Scared the crap out of me. I ran to the back of the boat and by then Bob got himself upright and was standing in water about chest deep. I helped him get back into the boat. His cellphone (flip phone) got wet so we had to go to his truck on shore to take it apart to dry off, and I think he had a change of clothes, too. Knowing prepared Bob always was he probably did have some dry clothes in there. He also made a couple of boat covers for me. They were the best. Mostly, I just enjoyed talking with Bob. He always had a smile and a good word. Nothing seemed to ever get him down. I've thought of Bob many times over the years after I moved away from Bartlesville. Sorely missed but never forgotten.

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**Scott Wilson** - January 30, 2025 at 08:23 PM

BC

“ Barb Culbertson purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Bobby "Bob" Ray Harper.



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**Barb Culbertson** - January 29, 2025 at 10:17 PM

DC

“ Debbie Crossland purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Bobby "Bob" Ray Harper.



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Debbie Crossland - January 29, 2025 at 09:02 PM

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“ Debbie Crossland planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bobby "Bob" Ray Harper.

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Debbie Crossland - January 29, 2025 at 09:02 PM

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“ Debbie Crossland purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Bobby "Bob" Ray Harper.



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Debbie Crossland - January 29, 2025 at 06:05 PM

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“ Debbie Crossland planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bobby "Bob" Ray Harper.

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Debbie Crossland - January 29, 2025 at 06:05 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bobby "Bob" Ray Harper.*



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January 29, 2025 at 11:06 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Bobby "Bob" Ray Harper.

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January 29, 2025 at 11:06 AM



“ *Tecia Hendrix sent a virtual gift in memory of Bobby "Bob" Ray Harper*



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**Tecia Hendrix** - January 28, 2025 at 10:50 AM



“ *Bob was a wonderful man! It is a beautiful thing when you can be in someone's presence and the peace that they carry with them is so tangible, it flows to everyone who is around them. I appreciated his sweet spirit, constant smile, and hugs-loved the hug card he gave out and then the hugs that followed. You will be missed, Bob and forever in our hearts. Denise McKinnon*

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**Denise McKinnon** - January 28, 2025 at 09:56 AM