



Nathan Louis Schaper

August 12, 1949 - January 13, 2026

Nathan Louis Schaper, 76, of Ochelata, died January 13th in Tulsa.

Nathan Louis Schaper was born to Melvin Louis Schaper and Carol Joy Firkins on 08/12/1949 in Independence, Kansas. He graduated high school from Independence Bible school and later married Janet Diane Talbot. Nathan was drafted to the Army and served in Vietnam through the war. He had 3 children Brad, Amanda and Jon. His careers included retail, food service and philosophy. Nathan's hobbies included various collections; knives, cards, watches, and fishing supplies. He enjoyed fishing, reading, and taking care of people.

Nathan was a very selfless, compassionate person who always listened to everyone's problems, no matter what he had going on behind closed doors. He always tried to help anyone out if it was possible; he would have given you the last \$20 in his pocket if it meant you would benefit from it or even if you were just having a bad day and needed a pick-me-up or smile on your face. He never made anyone feel like their words were not important whether it was meaningful or just a mundane conversation. Nathan is described as a hero and patriot from peers who knew him. He was very special, and a one-of-a-kind person. He was a role model and many aspired to be just like him. He would have never let anyone give up on their dreams, no matter what they were.

Nathan was preceded in death by his parents Melvin Louis Schaper and Carol Joy Schaper, and grandson Austin Bailey Hollenbeck. His surviving family members include his wife Diane, siblings: Ruth and Gary Schenck, Charles and Janette Schaper, Albert and Della Schaper, Steve and Lavonna Schaper, Quentin and Pam Schaper, and Kent and Erin Schaper; his children: Bradley and Dawn Schaper, Amanda and Marcus Dolan, Jon and Tasha Schaper; and his grandchildren: Kaycee and Kyle Sims, Noah Schaper, Kayli Hollenbeck, Nathaniel Schaper, Dawson Hollenbeck, Macie Schaper, Wyatt Hollenbeck, Regan Schaper, Carter Hollenbeck and Pyper Schaper.

Visitation will be held from 12-5 p.m. on Sunday, January 18th at Davis Family Funeral Home – Dewey Chapel, 113 S. Osage, Dewey, OK.

A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, January 19th at the Bible Holiness Church in Ochelata. Interment will follow in the Ochelata Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Carter Davis and the Davis Family Funeral Home Dewey Chapel. Online condolences and remembrances may be shared at www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

Ochelata

West 2900 Road
Ochelata, OK

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 18. 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home - Dewey Chapel
113 S Osage Avenue
Dewey, OK 74029

Funeral Service

JAN 19. 10:00 AM (CT)

Bible Holiness Church
201 S West St
Ochelata, OK 74051

Tribute Wall



“ *Davis Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Nathan Louis Schaper*



Davis Family Funeral Home - January 16 at 04:00 PM

JM

A very big hearted, good man gone too soon ☹️

jeanne and howard malaby - January 17 at 08:59 AM

SC

My Sympathy to the family. Sleep in eternal peace Nathan.

Student from SJCSS and follower of the c - January 17 at 05:54 PM

KN

“ *Kathy King and Charlsie Norton-Young planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Nathan Louis Schaper.*

Kathy King and Charlsie Norton-Young - January 19 at 10:36 AM

KN

“ *Kathy King and Charlsie Norton-Young purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Nathan Louis Schaper.*



Kathy King and Charlsie Norton-Young - January 19 at 10:36 AM

JF

“ *Jacque Farley purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Nathan Louis Schaper.*



Jacque Farley - January 17 at 12:24 PM

CS

“ *My deepest condolences for Diane and all the Schaper family. My time and memories from the late 60's and early 70's when graduating IBC are full of the Schaper's in so many different ways, school, church and friendships. Prayers, thoughts and comfort for all in this difficult time.*



Carl Sears - January 17 at 07:08 AM

PS

*A treasure of memories and a heart full of love. We are praying for you, Diane n family.
Paul Wesley n Alta*

Paul Wesley n Alta Smith - January 17 at 08:38 AM

SF

“ Steve Knipmeyer family purchased the Sweet Tra
nquility Basket for the family of Nathan Louis
Schaper.



Steve Knipmeyer family - January 17 at 01:24 AM

SF

“ Steve Knipmeyer family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Nathan Louis
Schaper.

Steve Knipmeyer family - January 17 at 01:24 AM

CH

“ Chuck Harris planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Nathan Louis
Schaper.

Chuck Harris - January 16 at 11:10 PM

CH

“ Chuck Harris purchased the Beautiful in Blue for
the family of Nathan Louis Schaper.



Chuck Harris - January 16 at 11:10 PM

KH

“ *Kaylene Hinthorn purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Nathan Louis Schaper.*



Kaylene Hinthorn - January 16 at 04:57 PM

WW

“ *Wayne and Bev Waits purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Nathan Louis Schaper.*



Wayne and Bev Waits - January 16 at 03:40 PM

MM

“ *Manuel and Brenda Marquez purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Nathan Louis Schaper.*



Manuel and Brenda Marquez - January 16 at 02:55 PM

BS

“ *Brooke, Lindsey, Cooper, and Sam purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Nathan Louis Schaper.*



Brooke, Lindsey, Cooper, and Sam - January 16 at 01:37 PM

BS

“ Brooke, Lindsey, Cooper, and Sam planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Nathan Louis Schaper.

Brooke, Lindsey, Cooper, and Sam - January 16 at 01:37 PM

JR

“ Diane and family, Ruth & Gary and family, Charles & Jan and family, and to all the siblings and their families:
I am so very sorry for your loss of Nathan. I pray that God will give you comfort and strength to navigate the days ahead.
I have so many wonderful childhood memories, going to the Schaper farm with Ruth, it was so great with all of the siblings. Later on Diane and Jan were my best friends in High School. My heart aches for all of you.
God bless you all.
Jan (Johnson) Robinson



Jan Robinson - January 16 at 11:51 AM