



## Vincent Dake Shreffler

January 17, 1936 - October 7, 2020

Vincent “Dake” Shreffler, 84, of Copan, OK, went to be with the Lord on October 7, 2020. He was a God-loving family man who loved his country and his friends, whether they were blessed to be in Barnsdall or less fortunate.

He was born January 17, 1936, in Barnsdall, OK, the 6th of 7 children to Vincent Norman and Genevieve Gladys (Gibson) Shreffler. He was raised and attended schools in Barnsdall. He joined the Oklahoma National Guard and was active for five and half years.

He married Sandra Sue Libby in November 1959 in Barnsdall and to this union they added a daughter Libby Annette and a son Vincent Dake 11. He worked for Woods Lumber while living in Barnsdall.

In 1972 the family moved to Independence, KS, to put Libby and Dake in the Independence Bible School. He went to work for Sandott Lumber. The bible school was near and dear to their hearts. From the early days, Dake was a very big supporter and prayed daily for the faculty, staff and students. His wife Sandra cooked for the dorm students for one year. His sister Ann taught there for numerous years. His brother Herb was the boys’ dean, and Dake’s niece and her husband were also the boys’ and girls’ deans at one time. Today, his daughter Libby is working there and he has three Great-grandchildren currently attending the bible school.

In December of 1975, Dake and Sandra took the children and they moved to Grenada to be missionaries. He pastored several churches while in Grenada. They remained in Grenada until 1978. When they returned from Grenada they began pastoring in Oswego, KS.

Through the years Dake, with Sandra by his side, has pastored in Oswego, Elk City, and Caney in Kansas and filled in at Barnsdall, Oklahoma. From the time Dake was saved in 1963 as a young man, he lived his life for the Lord. His sincere wish was for all his family and friends to make it to heaven. Anytime he prayed he would call out each family member and many friends by name. If there was a church service, revival or camp meeting in the area, Dake was there.

In July 1980, Sandra passed away. Later, Dake married Dolly (Fry)(Talbot) Eddy in December 1982. They have lived in Copan since he retired from pastoring.

Dake loved his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He enjoyed spending time with them – often calling and seeing how the children were doing in school. He also loved lawn mowers and always had numerous ones sitting around. At one time Dake had 15 riding mowers and 45 push mowers that ran.

BARNSDALL – What can I say about Barnsdall? Dake thought that it was the most important place on earth. Everyone was family or a friend! No one could ever talk to him for very long without him bringing up Barnsdall in the conversation. He loved Barnsdall!!!

Survivors include his wife Dolly of Copan; his daughter Libby (Mike) Hamilton of Independence, KS; his son Dake (Lori) Shreffler of Ponca City, OK; step-

daughter Diane (Nathan) Schaper of Ochelata, OK; nine grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; one brother Herbert Shreffler of Coffeyville, KS; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his first wife Sandra, his sister Norma and husband Herman Husk, his sister Lola and husband Leroy Lanphear, his sister George Ann, his brother Charles and wife Gladys Shreffler, and his sister Phyllis Riley.

Visitation will be held on Saturday from 12-5 p.m.at the Davis Family Funeral Home - Dewey Chapel.

A celebration of life will be announced at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Dake's beloved Independence Bible School, 2246 S 10th St, Independence, KS 67301.

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](http://www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **24**. 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home - Dewey Chapel  
113 S Osage Ave  
Dewey, OK 74029  
(918) 534-3030  
davisfamilyfuneralhome@gmail.com

## Memorial Service

JAN **9**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Ochelata Bible Holiness Church  
309 W Vera St.  
Ochelata, OK 74051

# Tribute Wall



“ *Davis Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Vincent Dake Shreffler*



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**Davis Family Funeral Home** - October 23, 2020 at 12:56 PM



“ *Glorious Grace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Vincent Dake Shreffler.*



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October 23, 2020 at 01:34 PM

BP

“ My memories of Bro. Dake go back MANY years, to my days at Independence Bible School, and when his family left to go to Grenada. His first wife, Sandra, was a dear friend of mine, as is Dolly. The memory that makes me smile the most is that when my son was approx. 8 years old (now 40), Bro. Dake held a revival in Briscoe, MO. My son informed him one night that he didn't want to come back because he preached too long. In 2018 when I returned to Independence Camp after 15 years of absence from there, Bro. Dake asked if my boy still thought he preached too long. I thought that was a phenomenal memory, considering all the folks he has met over the years. Rest in peace, Bro. Dake., and my deepest condolences to the family!

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**Beverle Prior** - October 21, 2020 at 01:08 PM

CF

“ This man was a part of our family as well. He always found time for my family and thru the years became Paw Dake to my grandchildren and kids. God received a special angel on the 7th of October. He was a true friend to my dad and mom and will always be in our hearts. He will be missed but I know he is rejoicing in Heaven. My heart is broken over this news!

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**Carla Welborn and family** - October 15, 2020 at 12:55 PM

RM

“ Dake lived his life to be where he is now. Never have I heard anyone say one bad thing about him. He was a Godly man and our family loved him. Brooke and Eliot named their son after him, and he wrote a poem and prayed over him after they brought him home from the hospital. We will always cherish that moment. I am sure he will be reciting poems in Heaven.

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**Rhonda McCauley** - October 13, 2020 at 10:37 PM

SH

“Dake was my daddy’s Best Man ... and his lifelong friend. I can’t remember a time when Dake didn’t pray with my parents before leaving when he stopped by for a visit. He was a genuine servant of our Lord and an exemplary Christian. Prayers for Dolly ... Libby and Dakie ... God is Good. Hugs.



Shannon Hollandsworth - October 12, 2020 at 09:22 PM

DA

“We were teenagers when we last saw each other as cousins until we reunited in our eighties on my way back from Texas to Iowa. Dake’s personality absorbed me with enthusiasm, cheerfulness and as if we had never lost those years. We laughed and swapped stories of families past. We were both pastors and shared our brotherhood in Christ. I celebrate his living for Christ and now celebrating the victory for those who love the Lord.

Pastor David Abram

david irwin abram - October 11, 2020 at 03:42 PM

RL

“Dake was such an amazing, godly man. I always looked forward to seeing him at the alumni meeting on Bigheart Day. Going to miss his prayers & poems. Praying for his entire family.

Rick Loggins - October 11, 2020 at 08:56 AM

BB

“Dake was a friend and classmate of the class of 1954. He will be missed as he kept the entire class updated.

Bill & Beth Bell - October 10, 2020 at 09:27 PM

RN

“ Dake was just a lovely man! I have no doubt heaven erupted in celebration at his arrival as he knelt at the feet of his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! A life well lived. A legacy of faith and love left for all!

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**Ron and Kathy Newkirk** - October 10, 2020 at 07:59 PM

GM

“ Prayers and condolences to Rev. Dake Shreffler 's family. Sincerely,  
Gloria Emerson and Gail Marchant

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**Gail Marchant** - October 10, 2020 at 07:14 PM

JH

“ Dake and Dolly were married on December 28th, 1982, James and I (Kriss) Heyer were married one year later on the same date December 28th 1983.  
For years we would send each other Anniversary cards. The are both precious to us.  
Dake was always an encouragement, would call when we needed it most. 💔going to miss him  
Praying for Dolly and family

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**James and Kriss Heyer** - October 10, 2020 at 07:08 PM

BS

“ Dake & I began our friendship as we spent twelve years together in school and graduated in 1954. Our friendship has continued another sixty six years. I last talked with Dake about two weeks before his death.

Dake was a true gentleman, trustworthy, honest, a respected man of faith and always a friend I could count on.

He kept me involved in the class of '54 as my job transferred me often to other cities & states. His phone calls after each class get-together describing those attending & a little about each one was just like being there.

Dake was one in a million and I will miss him greatly and look forward to meeting him again some day.

Bennett & Rosalie Shelton

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**Bennett & Rosalie Shelton** - October 09, 2020 at 07:04 PM

JR

“ Dake and I grew up in the same neighborhood as well as going through school together, graduating in 1954. Our class I think is different from many others I know---we all still really like each other! Many of us have kept in close contact over the years. Dake was one of the best by calling and then deciding it was time to get together, and talk about old and new things happening in our lives. I know all of us will miss him as we remember the many great times we all share.

Jean Sullivan Robertson Pryor

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**Jean & Dean Robertson** - October 09, 2020 at 11:51 AM

JS

Dake was always willing to help here at Ochelata church camp ground. He also willing to help in church services. We will miss him.

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**Jerry Schenck** - October 10, 2020 at 10:23 PM

TW

*I always enjoyed having a conversation with Dake . He was a friend to everyone . He visited with my mom quite often and I know shared prayers and scriptures with her . She loved his visit's . He was a hard worker and I do t think there was a job he couldn't do . He worked hundreds maybe thousands of times for the people in Barnsdall and will be greatly missed . Never did I visit with him that he wasn't cheerful and a smile that was contagious !*

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**trish wheeler** - October 12, 2020 at 09:51 PM

WL

*Dake was a dear friend we will remember forever. Wilma Logue and Andrew Vann*

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**Wilma Logue** - October 23, 2020 at 09:02 PM

LS

*Though just finding out about Dake's passing, I want to add my note of condolence and prayers for the family. Though I am a "stranger" from the East, Dake and I connected through the local IHC; his prayers, song leading, cheerfulness, and spiritual interests were a blessing to me. Incidentally I am also a 1954 grad, though some hundreds of miles away, in Pennsylvania. Farewell, friend, I will meet you in the morning.*  
*Leonard Sankey*

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**Leonard Sankey** - October 29, 2020 at 11:37 AM