



Al E. Chastain

September 27, 1936 - February 15, 2015

Al E. Chastain was born on September 27, 1936, in Caney, Kansas to Albert Nathan and Jennie Mae (Hook) Chastain. He grew up attending church and school in Caney, graduating from Caney Valley High in 1954. He attended Coffeyville Junior College and worked alongside his father, who owned/operated an appliance sales and service business in downtown Caney. Al Jr. sold and serviced televisions and stereos while his dad took care of the heating/refrigeration part of the business. Al also worked for Phillips Petroleum Company as a programmer/analyst for 35 years, retiring in 1991. He lived most of his lifetime in Caney, moving with his wife, Mary, to Bartlesville in 2012. He loved computer work, electronics, the outdoors, his cat, and most of all, playing his guitar. Al is well known in the area for his thumb and fingerstyle way of playing and has played for church and community events since he was a young man. Al passed from his earth life the morning of February 15, 2015, shortly after being diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. He is survived by his wife, Mary Louise Chastain (Bartlesville), his daughter, Lisa Thayer (Broken Arrow), his brother, John Chastain (Parsons, KS), one grandson David Black of Conway, Arkansas, two nephews and two nieces and several cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father, mother, and beloved cat. Funeral service will be held on Friday, February 20, 11 a.m. at Stumpff Funeral Home, Bartlesville, OK with graveside and burial immediately following at Sunnyside

Cemetery, Caney, Kansas.

The family requests donations to The Journey Home, 3406 Kentucky Street,
BartlesvilleOK 74006, in lieu of flowers.

Friends who wish may sign the online guest book and leave condolences at www.stumpff.org.

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Tribute Wall

FP

“ *I am so sorry to learn of Al Jr.'s passing. May God be with Mary and the rest of the family.*

Flo Ponzetti - March 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ *John and family;
ours prayers are with you!*

Janet & Jerry Kinsch - February 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ *My prayers and sympathies to the family. As a young girl, I remember Al playing the guitar at our church in Caney. I really enjoyed listening and watching him play and he was always smiling.*

Linda Hoffman Wince - February 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *I got to know Al through many years of working in the Computer Department at Phillips and a mutual good friend, Don Judd. We also purchased multiple pieces of electronic equipment from him. Al was such a happy person and always greeted everyone with a smile.*

Raymond Stas - February 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ *Rest in peace my friend. . .*

Edward Baker - February 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ So sorry for your lost. We loved Al and he taught us so much in our church class. And everyday life. We know he's in a better place. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Marry we love you. If we can do anything to help you please let us know.

Love
Dan & Paula

Dan & Paula Merchant - February 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ Al was a good man. So sorry to hear the news!!

Kay Blankinship Kelly Lundquist - February 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Mary & family,
We are so sorry to hear of Al's passing. You are all in our thoughts and prayers as you go thru this time.

Jerry & Harriet Haymaker - February 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GN

“ Mary and Family so sorry to hear about al passing ourprayers are with you and your family!! gene and joye nunneley.

gene andjoye nunneley - February 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KT

“ We were so surprised to learn of Al's going home!
I first met Al in Jan 2004 over the Internet via his guitar music website. Al became my tutor, mentor & inspiration to learn to play 'thumb & fingerstyle' guitar at the age of 65. Thank you, Al & Mary for always wonderfully welcoming us & treating us so well whenever we visited you the several times through the years in Caney. Al gave me several dozen copies of his own music on CDs but would never accept any money for them. Al's music has blessed our many friends & family as we shared the CDs with them.
Al is a genuine follower of my friend, Jesus of Nazareth, The Christ! We pray that our Lord Jesus give you comfort and strength for your family during this time of grief. Remember, Al is in the presence of his Lord Jesus and no longer has any kind of limitations upon him now.
Ken & Luella Jo Tharp, Montague On The Hill, TX

Ken Tharp - February 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ Our heartfelt condolences to Al's family. Few are greatly missed as Al will be. Stay safe Mary.

Paul Hughes - February 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HO

“ Our hearts are saddened with the passing of our friends and loved ones then that grief is leavened and our hearts are lightened by the knowledge of our reunion to come. I pray the Heavenly Father would give comfort and peace.

H L Owens - February 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ God will take care of His children, in the good times and the bad. He will comfort you and give you the strength to face the days ahead. May God Bless.

Bill Crossman - February 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ You are in my prayers. He was such a wonderful man and I am proud I had the chance to know him. He touched my life.

Carol McClure - February 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ So sorry for the loss of Mr Chastain, went to school with his brother John. Our prayers are with the family in their loss.

Marvin and Mary Beth England - February 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ So sorry for your loss. He was a great Christian and showed it in every way. Our prayers are with you And your family.

carl & sandra Freidline - February 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HK

“ We were so saddened to hear of Al's passing. We will miss his friendly smile and always a kind word. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you now and the days ahead.

Howard & Evelyn Kennedy - February 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ My prayers are with his family and loved ones

John Kelly - February 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ I was sad to hear of Al passing on! He was such a great Christian and guitarist.
I've played a lot of his arrangements in our church and the people loved them. He had a great touch and like Chet Atkins I sure will miss him. My prayers are with his family and loved ones. John and Judy Sandlin.

John Sandlin - February 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ Mary & Lisa,

We are here for you! What a journey it has been. We have so enjoyed all the years with you guy's, and look forward to more. We can't hardly believe this time has come. But know Al is better off than we are.

We love you both and will continue to pray for strength, comfort, and peace.

Paul & Judy Stetz - February 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

OB

“ I knew Al from his work at Phillips as well as his talented guitar playing at my church. Al always had a smile for everyone. Wonderful Christian man.

Orva Lee Brown - February 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM