



DONALD C. COLLIER

December 20, 1942 - May 19, 2018

Don Carroll Collier of Caney, KS passed unexpectedly on Saturday, May 19, 2018. He was born December 20th, 1942 in Ada, OK. He is survived by his wife of 37 years, Barbara Collier of Caney, KS, daughter Lynn Kavulich of Rogers, AR and her husband Doug, son Erik Scott of Collinsville, OK and his wife Jennifer, and daughter Kathy Maynard of New Lenox, IL and her husband Steve, his brother Terry Collier of Bixby, OK and his wife Debra, five grandchildren, Skylar Scott, Ethan Scott, Rylee Kavulich, Mason Kavulich and Collier Maynard, nephew Richard Taliaferro of San Diego, niece Amber Collier of Tulsa, and niece Ashton Gunter and husband Jeff of Tulsa.

Don is preceded in death by his parents Carroll and Lorice Collier of Ada, OK, his sister Karen Collier of Tulsa, and first wife, Brenda Hill Collier.

Services will be held on Wednesday, May 23rd at 10am at the Tyro Christian Church in Tyro, KS officiated by Dave Bycroft, followed by a graveside service at Sunnyside Cemetery in Caney, KS where he will be laid to rest. Services will be conducted by Stumpff Funeral Home in Bartlesville, OK with an open viewing on Tuesday. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Heart Association.

Don was raised in Ada, OK into a banking family. He graduated from Ada High School in 1960 and graduated from East Central University in 1964 where he was a 4 year starter on the golf team. He and his cousin, Ken Andrews of Stratford, OK, joined and served in the Army Reserve from 1968-1974. After completing the American Institute of Banking and later the Southwest School

of Banking at SMU, he enjoyed a 54-year career with positions such as President & CEO of Plaza National Bank in Bartlesville, President at Caney Valley National Bank, President of Arvest Bank in Caney, and was currently serving as Executive Vice President and Loan Officer at Community National Bank in Caney.

Don was an avid golfer and quail hunter through his life. Typically alongside his brother, Terry, they would often compete in regional golf tournaments or could be found quail hunting. He loved sports and could be found most evenings and weekends in his crimson and cream golf cart at the Caney Golf Club. Don enjoyed spending time, holidays and vacationing with his family and grandchildren, especially at the beach. He loved watching all sports from his favorite chair with his family. But most of all, he loved his Oklahoma Sooners and was a football season ticket holder and religious watcher of their basketball and softball teams. Boomer Sooner!

Cemetery Details

Sunnyside

Caney, KS

Previous Events

Funeral Service

MAY **23**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Tyro Christian Church
301 S. Market St
Tyro, KS 67364
<http://tyrochristian.org/>

Tribute Wall

RF

“ I am so sorry to have been unaware of Don's passing in time to have attended his service. He was such a great guy to know as a friend and to have worked with, or for, as a banker. I want to extend my sincere condolences to all his loved ones and friends for the loss of such a fine gentleman.

Robert A. Fugate - May 29, 2018 at 02:32 PM

CF

“ I worked with Don at Arvest and Community National Bank & Trust. He was always an enjoyable coworker. I remember his end of the day clap. When he was done working and needed a mental break he would linger in the lobby and clap a nice slow clap. Most of the time it scared us or made us laugh. My favorite is when he would sing “I want to be and Air Force ranger, I want to live a life of danger. Up the hill, up the hill!!”. I also loved all of his banking stories. He was definitely a banker to look up to. I am really going to miss him! Sending love and prayers to his family.

Christian Franklin

Christian Franklin - May 23, 2018 at 07:55 PM

MW

“ Don always ask about my daughter Leslie and her children when I went into the bank. He was always concern and caring about her. A great person. So sorry for you loss.

marsha wilmoth - May 23, 2018 at 11:48 AM

RH

“ The member-guest golf tournaments at Hillcrest, the partnerships at Cedar Ridge and even the 4th of July at LaVista in Texas, all of these great times are in my life of memories. My neighborhood was better when Don and Barb were in it and I was lucky to have them as friends. Seeing him always put a smile on my face and I am a happier person for knowing him.
Thanks Don

Richard Hunt

Richard Hunt - May 23, 2018 at 10:44 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of DONALD C. COLLIER.



May 22, 2018 at 10:39 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of DONALD C. COLLIER.



May 22, 2018 at 01:06 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of DONALD C. COLLIER.*



May 22, 2018 at 12:16 PM

TC

“ I knew I would not be able emotionally to speak at Don's funeral but I did want to say a few things.

I was lucky enough to be Don's little brother. I have followed him around all of my 60 years. Don was 15 years older than me-he was a second dad for me. From even before I could walk I wanted to go everywhere with him. And the thing about this was, he always let me go! From Don I learned the love of the outdoors-from golf to fishing to quail hunting- he loved to do it all.

As he got older and his health started failing, he was frustrated that he could not do everything as good as he used to do it, but he still loved trying. What a fierce competitor he was! If you needed someone to make a putt on the last hole to tie or win, you would pick Don to make the putt! The last few years when quail hunting I would try to let him get a good shot at the quail, waiting for him to shoot first. If he missed and the quail got away he would scold me for not taking the shot. Last year, when he was not strong enough to walk, he would still go with me on the quail hunts, patiently waiting in the car until I returned each time to tell him the stories of the hunt. I know he was going just to make sure I was safe, but he never complained.

He was always there for me if I needed advice or someone to talk to.

When you think about family, Don Collier was the man. He loved his family as much as anyone possibly could. I believe the holidays were his favorite time of the year-he loved for his family to all be together. I want everyone in his family to remember that he will always be with you looking down from heaven.

I will selfishly miss him, but know he is in a much better place in heaven where he can make all the long putts and shoot his limit in quail!

I love and miss you Don!

Terry Collier

Terry Collier - May 22, 2018 at 10:19 AM

JH

Far Kathy and family I am so sorry for your loss. Asking God to give you strength and much comfort during this difficult time. He had a wonderful journey and loved his family golf and is Oklahoma sooners. I know you will have many great memories

Joni Haran - May 22, 2018 at 06:19 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of DONALD C. COLLIER.*



May 22, 2018 at 08:39 AM

YF

“ *Your extended BHHS Anderson Properties Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of DONALD C. COLLIER.*



Your extended BHHS Anderson Properties Family - May 22, 2018 at 08:36 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of DONALD C. COLLIER.*



May 21, 2018 at 03:25 PM

JH

“ *The friendly rivalries, the golf matches, the “up the hill” morning speeches all will be sorely missed. A great friend and golf buddy.*

John and Deb Heady - May 21, 2018 at 01:36 PM

 Kelli
DeWitt

“ *I am so sad to hear of Don’s passing. I worked with him for many years at Caney Valley National Bank and then when we became Arvest. He was a kind person and will be greatly missed by many.*

Kelli DeWitt - May 21, 2018 at 01:17 PM