



## Kemper Joe Javine

January 1, 1937 - November 23, 2024

Kemper Joe Javine, 87, of Barnsdall, OK passed away on November 23, 2024 surrounded by his loving family in Bartlesville, OK. A memorial service will be held at 1:00 pm Friday, December 13, 2024 at the Assembly of God Church in Barnsdall.

Joe Javine was born on January 1, 1937 in Barnsdall, OK to Wilda Oliva (Lawman) Javine and Owen Kemper Javine. He was raised in Barnsdall where he graduated high school in 1955.

Joe married his high school sweetheart, Barbara Karan Reynolds in December 1956. He attended college in Tahlequah, OK and went on to become a Journeyman electrician. He was a proud member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW).

Throughout his career, Joe wired many buildings and structures around northeastern Oklahoma and often pointed out various historical sites that he worked on, including the iconic Golden Driller in Tulsa. Joe and Karan made their first home in Barnsdall and

welcomed their son, John Mark Javine in 1958. Later, they moved to Sperry, OK where they raised John and daughter Dee Anne Javine (Hughes) born in 1961. In his youth, Joe was an avid fastpitch softball player and served as catcher for a men's fastpitch team as they traveled to countless games and tournaments. In retirement, Joe enjoyed fishing, working in his shop/garage, sharing his wisdom, and spending time with the love of his life, Karan until her death in 2018. He loved Jesus and fellowship and was an active member of the Freewill Baptist Church in Barnsdall.

Joe was preceded in death by his wife, Karan Javine; son, John Javine; daughter, Dee Anne Hughes; parents, Kemper and Wilda Javine; brother, Dale Javine; and son-in-law Greg Hughes.

Survivors include granddaughter Shannon Crabbe (Chris) of Dewey, OK; granddaughter, Starla Worsham (Nate) of Virginia Beach, VA; Brandon Hughes (Tina) of Sapulpa, OK; Jessica Mooney (Levi) of Glenpool, OK; Adam Hughes of Tulsa, OK; Sara Ward (Josh) of Sand Springs, OK; sister Elaine McPherson (Kenneth) of Barnsdall, OK; Ronda Blake (Gary) of Barnsdall, OK; sister-in-law, Jane Javine of Barnsdall, OK; brother/sister-in-law, Ed and Bev Reynolds of Centralia, MO and numerous great-grandchildren, great-

great-

grandchildren, nephews, nieces, cousins, and friends.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established in honor of Joe Javine at the Freewill

Baptist Church in Barnsdall and donations can be sent to PO Box 328 Barnsdall, OK 74002.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

DEC 13. 1:00 PM (CT)

Barnsdall Assembly of God Church

120 N 3rd

Barnsdall, OK 74002

(918) 578-2294

<http://ag.org>

# Tribute Wall

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“ Joe and I have been friends most all my life. I will miss visiting with him and sharing in his stories of his family and friends. I had purchased his 1968 Dodge pickup from him in 2003. He sure was proud to see it up and running again. It has been a privilege to know Joe and be friends with a God loving person. It is said that many people that pass will be forgotten quickly. You, my friend will not. Till we meet again....

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**James Toon** - December 12, 2024 at 10:40 PM

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“ Joe was a great man, he came into my life through church. One of the most Godly men I knew. He was there to help me after I lost my dad, he became my bonus dad. I will always cherish the memories I have with him. He loved his wife and missed her like crazy, I know he was ready to see her again. He talked about growing up and how special his family was to him. I know he was ready to go to his Heavenly Home. We all will miss him and I was blessed to be his adopted daughter. Until we meet again ☐

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**Vicky Tarwater** - December 09, 2024 at 02:05 PM

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“Mr. Kemper "Joe" Javine was my best friend. He was the father I never had. He was the kindest man I knew. Joe loved God. He loved his family and talked about them often. He was sincere. He was a true man of integrity. I spent a lot of time with Joe. I visited him often. "Come in...if your nose is clean"—was one of his favorite sayings. Hearing him say that after he would answer the front door, will always ring in my ear. He never got tired of me. A phone call from him would always brighten my day...or night. Yes, he could be a night owl!

*I learned a lot about Joe, especially during the writing of his biography. I went nearly everywhere with him. We laughed together. We cried together. We went through many trials together, yet he stood by my side. I have made a lot of mistakes in my life, yet he never judged me. He corrected me when I needed it—being honest enough to tell me when I was wrong. I loved him for that. Words cannot explain the bond we had. I miss him dearly.*

*Joe, you were, and always will be my best friend. I hope to see you again one day. Hopefully I can be your neighbor in Heaven as I once was on Earth. You were to me what Lucas McCain was to Mark. I will always love you, Pa!*

*-Nathan*

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Nathan Foy - November 28, 2024 at 07:38 AM