



Leonard C Shelite

August 27, 1944 - September 5, 2020

Leonard Charles (Buck) Shelite was born August 27, 1944 to EV & Leora Shelite. Buck was the youngest of six children. The family lived on a farm west of Aline, Oklahoma. Buck spent his childhood years working the farm, raising the famous Shelite Melons. He graduated from Aline High School. Buck attended barber school in Oklahoma City and then he served in US Army from 1965 to 1971. Buck returned to his family's farm and began his career, working alongside with his family. They raised wheat, watermelons and cantaloupes. He married Alice Jones and together they had three children. He married Patti Kusel in 2002. The couple split their home between Fort Cobb and Aline. Buck served on Aline's town council for many years, was a member of the Aline VFW and a member of the Green Valley Methodist Church. He and Patti made Fort Cobb their permanent residence in 2013. You could find him at the local café in the mornings visiting with the farmers. In the afternoons he'd work in his yard and spend time with his family. Buck loved his family. He prided himself in his children and grandchildren. He was proud of everything they did, whether it be earning Eagle Scout, hitting baseballs or showing livestock. His grandchildren were so special to him. Pa Buck was loved by his family. Buck was preceded in death by his parents, one brother Bob Shelite, and he and Patti's dearest friends Tilford and Ladonna Springer. He leaves behind his wife Patti, of the home. Four children, Mike Shelite, Shannon Shelite, Terry Shelite and Jamie Pittman and her husband Brian. His grandchildren Bradley Rucker, Brett & Corinne Pittman,

Chasta, Jayme and Michael Shelite, as well as three brothers and one sister, great-grand children, many nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends. The family would like to give a special thank the Fort Cobb First Responders, Carnegie EMS and the Carnegie Nursing home for the love and kindness shown to Buck and the family. Graveside memorial services will be at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at Oak Grove Cemetery in Fort Cobb, Oklahoma. The family requests that everyone please observe social distancing and if you choose wear a mask. In lieu of flowers the family request memorial contributions be made to:Fort Cobb First Responders, P.O. Box 328, Fort Cobb, OK. 73038Services under the direction of Fort Cobb Funeral Home, Fort Cobb, Oklahoma.Messages of condolences may be sent to the family at: www.smithfuneralservices.com