



Samuel Dale DuCote

April 11, 1936 - March 12, 2020

Samuel Dale DuCote, 83, of Springdale passed away Thursday, March 12, 2020 at Circle of Life Hospice in Springdale. He was born April 11, 1936 in Cottonport, LA to Volnes Richard (V.R.) and Era Inez Hazelwood DuCote, and was preceded in death by his parents and wife Nina Faye Sharp DuCote. Survivors include two sisters, Joann DuCote Smith and Shirley DuCote Skelton, both of FL; his son, Grant DuCote and wife Trisha of Springdale; three grandchildren, Libby, Christopher and Andrew DuCote; and many nieces and nephews.

Dale worked in medical technology and hospital administration throughout his career. His hobbies included gardening, cooking and amateur photography. Dale was also actively involved in Boy Scouting for many years, serving as Scoutmaster and advisor for hundreds of local Scouts.

The celebration of life memorial that was planned for Sunday, May 31, 1:00 P.M. at the Ozark Botanical Gardens is *cancelled*. A reschedule is currently not anticipated.

The family requests that in-lieu of flowers, donations be made to Circle of Life Hospice in Springdale.

Online condolences at www.siscofuneral.com

Comments



“ Grant, please accept my sincere sympathy. Paula Carson Strachan

Paula Strachan - June 22, 2020 at 11:22 PM



“ I just happened across this. I'm so sorry for your loss. I always loved staying at Uncle Dale and Aunt Nina's house when I was a kid, and really appreciated his sense of humor.

Kevin Carson

Kevin Carson - June 22, 2020 at 09:47 AM



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Grant,

I have been sitting here trying to figure out what to say.

Cowbell.

When I think of Dale, this is one of the first things that comes to mind.

Attending my older sister's SHS Marching Band halftime performances- I quickly came to know "the keeper of the cowbell"

You always knew EXACTLY where Dale and Nina DuCote sat during the Springdale High School football games.

A loud presence that rang true and strong of his support and love and pride in his son, his community and the youth of Springdale. And what a personality. He was loud and funny and always spoke his mind.

Long after you graduated from Springdale High School, Dale and Nina continued their support to the Band. They were "Time Share Parents" for all of those Band Kids over the years.

Why did they do this? They believed that kids from Arkansas deserved to have a chance to excel at music and travel. To be able to "be more." Not for personal gain.

They chaperoned band trips and travelled to countless destinations with a bunch of smelly angst filled teenagers- voluntarily. Wow.

Then during all of this he was involved in Boy Scouts. So many of my classmates knew Dale through scouting and spoke highly of him. Again, the determination of helping the youth in the community.

Then my sister Trish, marries you. And these awesome people, Nina and Dale- immediately laid claim to the Johnsons and pulled us into their gracious, laughter filled gatherings. Holidays, birthdays and ultimately the joy of welcoming Libby, Chris and Andrew into the world.

Dale was very proud of his grandchildren. And very proud of his son and daughter in law.

I will remember selfless acts and moments of sincere straightforward advice given to me during very a difficult time.

I will remember glasses of wine, Razorback sweatshirts, shared meals, inappropriate humor and always the determined love he gave to his family.

We will miss Dale.

Love to you, Trish and "the kids"

Tina

Tina Johnson Flipppo - May 29, 2020 at 10:20 PM



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Dad,

Times are pretty strange right now, but you know that. I'm thankful that I was able to be alongside you through it all. You've always been my greatest role model, and your last few months were the finest example you've ever given me. I want everyone to know how you faced your diagnosis with resolve and soldiered-through your treatments with determination. I know you were tired and ready to go Home - yet you fought for as long as you could. And even in your final weeks, that typical Dale humor and wit was on full display with your doctors and nurses. I smile when I reflect on our great adventures together in Scouts, and the role you played mentoring so many young people. Your and Mom's devotion to the Springdale Bands was second-to-none, as displayed every Fall Friday night when you deafened football fans with your cowbell! The light you gave this world was bright, special and unique. I think about you often and miss you, but I'm uplifted knowing that you and Mom are once again reunited! Until we're together again -

All my Love,
Grant

Grant DuCote - April 10, 2020 at 04:35 PM



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Grant & Family: Our sympathy to you during this time of loss of your Dad. What a nice man he was---to everyone he met.. He was the perfect mate for Cousin Nina Faye. He was so attentive to your Grandmother Pauline and she loved him dearly. I remember right after you were born, Grant, going with my Mom, Thelma to see you and take a gift. Nothing would do Dale DuCote but that we stay for dinner, which we did! He came from a wonderful family, married into a wonderful family and has left you many wonderful memories. Our love!

Doug & Linda Miller

P.S. I still remember the night he and your Mom asked me and Brenda Parsons Lazenby to be the flower girls in their wedding. What fun!

Linda Harris Miller - March 23, 2020 at 01:51 PM



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Please accept my condolences. Dale unknowingly spread goodwill to others by his caring attitude, radiant smile, and professionalism. He was an incredible man. I'm truly sorry for your loss. Mimi Mathis

mimi mathis - March 22, 2020 at 08:18 AM



“ While Dale and Nina Faye went to the U of A, Dale worked at Lichlyter's Department Store when My Mother (Duwanna Poling) worked there. He was always nice to me when I'd come down to the store after school (I was in Jr High). I loved Nina and Dale.....they were such a nice couple. My prayers are with the family now.
Cindy(Poling)Strawser

Cindy (Poling) Strawser - March 20, 2020 at 07:28 PM