



## Bruce D. Sanders

February 25, 1957 - August 10, 2015

Bruce D. Sanders, 58, of Pomona, passed away Monday afternoon as a result of vehicle accident near his home.

Bruce was born on February 25, 1957, in Murphysboro, Illinois, to Jerl D. Sanders and Betty L. (Noble) Sanders.

Mr. Sanders was a farmer and before he became disabled he worked as a laborer.

He loved to fish and to go hunting, but the pride and joy of his life was his granddaughter Maddie.

Bruce was married to Susie on June 16, 1979, in Pomona, and she preceded him in death on April 30, 2006.

He is survived by two sons Seth Sanders and his wife Krystal Sanders of Yukon, OK, and Travis Sanders of Arkansas;

one granddaughter Maddie Sue Sanders of Yukon, OK;

his mother Betty Sanders of Pomona;

five sisters and one brother Deb (Larry) Klump of Murphysboro, Cheri (Roger) Beegle of Cobden, Diane (Brad) Gearhart of Pomona, Mark (Jerri) Sanders of Alto Pass, Bev (John) Schemonia of Pomona, and Barb Doyle of Anna;

several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, great nieces, and great nephews and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his father on October 15, 2004.

It was his request, that his body will be cremated. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, August 15, 2015, at the Mt. Pleasant-Jerusalem Christian Church near Pomona. Friends may call from 9 to 11 a.m. Saturday at the church. Memorials may be made to the family. For more information, please visit [www.pettettfuneralhome.com](http://www.pettettfuneralhome.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bruce D. Sanders*

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October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *I had met few men like Bruce , he was truly one that God makes very few of these days .  
He will always live on in our hearts .  
GOD bless you Bruce*

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**Michael E. Lewis** - August 17, 2016 at 02:29 PM

“ We will miss Bruce. We were happy to know him.

*I have good memories of Bruce. I can remember a time he was out here at the farm and he was out mowing. I was also out there, either he was helping me or I was helping him. Probably the second one. We were mowing, him in his tractor and me in mine. We stopped for some reason and got off to talk when suddenly we saw this big copperhead. Bruce was wearing a side arm ready for this occasion and was about to shoot it. I yelled don't shoot because it scared the heck out of me. It was all hilarious, a memory I am glad to have. Because of men like Bruce I learned to be safe out here, I was able to learn the ropes of being in the country & it helped make things easier for me in a climate that is really rough at times. Because of people like him I also learned to love this place.*

*There was a time I was at his place buying hay. Because I had no way to get it home he was going to lend me his trailer. He had to remove the ball off my hitch so it would fit his trailer. Of course it was rusted on and hard as heck to remove but he got it off. Even with his handicap he was not to be stopped. He worked at it and worked at it. It was bloody hot of course but nothing was going to prevent him from getting it off. He was such a hard worker, even with his handicap he got the job done. He in turn was a good influence teaching Nigel to have good work skills.*

*When Susie died and we went up to the casket Bruce was standing there and took the time to talk to us. This made the situation easier for us. As we stood at her casket he talked to us about Susie and brought her memory alive. No one has ever done that in all the funerals I have been to. I really appreciated that. He was a unique*

*individual and I loved his uniqueness.*

*I loved to hear him talk, he had this low, slow way of talking that drew you into what he was saying. He was a special man.*

*I will miss him. nola*

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**Nola Vorbrich** - August 17, 2015 at 12:27 PM

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“*Bruce was always a great guy growing up. I remember all of us riding the bus together. You all are in our thoughts and prayers. Sorry for your loss.*”

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**Brad and Beth (Loy) Clover** - August 13, 2015 at 05:13 PM

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“*Barb, I am so sorry for you & your family. If I can do anything for you call me.*”

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**Brenda Kelley** - August 11, 2015 at 09:34 PM