



Joseph Franklin Odom

October 4, 1938 - May 1, 2025

Services for Joseph Franklin Odom, 86, of Tyler will be held on Thursday, May 8, 2025, at 10:30 a.m. at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Bullard with President Charles Rhodus presiding. Burial will follow at Rose Lawn Cemetery in Tyler under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home.

Joe passed away Thursday, May 1, 2025, in Tyler. He was born October 4, 1938, in Pensacola, FL to Herman Wesley Odom Sr. and Violet Anna Hale Odom.

Joe was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and served faithfully in numerous callings throughout his life. In June of 1970 he received a bachelor's degree from the University of West Florida, which propelled him into a decades-long profession managing personnel and HR departments. When he retired seven years ago, it was as Vice President of Personnel and Administration at Mewbourne Oil Company in Tyler, TX.

Joe was preceded in death by his wife, Gay Odom and his sister, Glenda Taylor. He is survived by his son Mark Odom and wife Martha, of Kansas City, MO, daughter Cheri DeTraz of El Dorado, AR, daughter Lisa Moore and her husband Kyle, of Tyler, TX, brother Wesley Odom and his wife Dottee, of Saratoga Springs, UT and brother James Odom and his wife Nancy, of Bloomington, IN, as well as 9 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

The pallbearers will be Chris DeTraz, Kyle DeTraz, Tucker VanYperen, Blake Moore, Blaine Moore, Dalton DeTraz, Dylan DeTraz, Leighton DeTraz and Hunter Moore. Honorary pallbearers will be JJ VanYperen, Ryan VanYperen, Morgan VanYperen, Zayne Moore, Gavin Benjamin, and Christian Abeyta.

Visitation is scheduled from 6:00 -8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 7, 2025, at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway, in Tyler.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hospice of East Texas, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, TX 75701 (<https://hospiceofeasttexas.org>).

Cemetery Details

Rose Lawn Cemetery

2003 Blue Mountain Blvd.
Tyler, TX 75703

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 7. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy
Tyler, TX 75703
(903) 581-2008

Service

MAY 8. 10:30 AM (CT)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
23000 CR 145
Bullard, TX 75757

Tribute Wall



“ President Odom and his wife Gay were an inspiration to me in so many ways. Their love for each other showed me what celestial marriage should be. They are missed.

Renee (Jones) Howard - May 09, 2025 at 10:53 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joseph Franklin Odom.

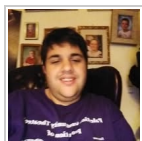
May 07, 2025 at 01:49 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joseph Franklin Odom.



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“ We are sorry for your loss. We can't make this but are praying for the family. He was a great Patriarch. We loved him & Gay very much & look forward to seeing them in the resurrection.

Gabriel Bibbs - May 07, 2025 at 01:45 PM

EM

“Peaceful in white standing spray” was purchased by Emily and Blake Moore



emily moore - May 06, 2025 at 05:30 PM



“Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Joseph Franklin Odom.



May 06, 2025 at 05:10 PM



“A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joseph Franklin Odom.

May 06, 2025 at 09:15 AM



“Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Joseph Franklin Odom.



May 06, 2025 at 09:15 AM

MV

“ Morgan & Ashley VanYperen purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Joseph Franklin Odom.



Morgan & Ashley VanYperen - May 05, 2025 at 11:10 PM

TF

“ The Brewer Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph Franklin Odom.

The Brewer Family - May 05, 2025 at 09:45 AM

TF

“ The Brewer Family purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Joseph Franklin Odom.



The Brewer Family - May 05, 2025 at 09:45 AM

TT

“ The posterity of Glenda & Larry Taylor purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Joseph Franklin Odom.



The posterity of Glenda & Larry Taylor - May 05, 2025 at 01:23 AM

RR

“ *Uncle Joe has always been a true inspiration and joy in our lives. His sense of humor has made us smile. He and his wife will be greatly missed. I’m sure their eternal marriage is blessed by their reunion. Joe has been a great example to us through his church and temple service. I hope that I can follow in his great footsteps. God be with you till we meet again. Ron & Dawn*

Ron Rutowski - May 03, 2025 at 06:43 PM

EJ

“ *Emily, Blake, Kaylen and Jax purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Joseph Franklin Odom.*



Emily, Blake, Kaylen and Jax - May 03, 2025 at 01:43 AM

EM

“ *Forever in our hearts!
Emily, Blake, Kaylen and Jaxon. ❤️*



Emily Moore - May 03, 2025 at 01:38 AM