



## Dan Rouse

November 4, 1951 - September 23, 2025

Daniel Eugene Rouse, 73, of Fort Gibson, was born November 4, 1951, in Wichita, KS to Everett and Beatrice Marie Rouse and entered the Gates of Heaven on Tuesday, September 23, 2025, at his home with his faithful and loving family by his side.

Dan graduated from Circle High School in Towanda, KS in 1969 and started many years of higher education in Ministry. He attended Butler Jr. College of Eldorado, KS for two years. Dan met and married his best friend, Carol Lynn Purkey, on August 9, 1970, in Andover, KS; a marriage that stood the test of time of 55 years, one month, and 14 days. He went to work at Ralston Purina in Wichita, KS for a year and a half, when he was called to attend Sunset School of Preaching in Lubbock, TX in December of 1970 and graduated on January 28, 1973. He began preaching at the Huckabee, TX Church of Christ in October 1972 for 18 months. They moved back to Mulvane, KS where Dan preached at College Hill Church of Christ until 1974. He enrolled in Mission's Program at Sunset School of Preaching on January 1977 for a six-month program and began preaching at Portales, NM 2nd Street Church of Christ in June of 1977 where he preached for 16 years. Dan and Carol moved back to Lubbock, TX where Dan preached at Sunset Church of Christ for the next 12 years. He continued his theological education attending Rochester College of Religious Education receiving a Bachelor's degree in 1998. In September of 2005, they moved to Fort Gibson, OK where Dan became Minister at the Fort Gibson Church of Christ retiring in 2023 after 18 years of loyal service. He

took the position of Elder in the Church until his passing. Dan's passions in life were his family and cherished his time playing golf.

Dan is survived by his loving wife, Carol; four children, Stephanie Ann Rouse, Melissa Thomson, Adam Rouse and Eric Rouse; grandchildren, Sawyer Hall, Moses Thomson, Henry Thomson, Jaden Rouse, Eli Rouse, Elisabeth Rouse and foster granddaughter, Tsula; extended family and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Dan's life will be celebrated 11AM, Tuesday, October 7, 2025, at Fort Gibson Church of Christ with Minister Stephen Parker presiding and Barrett Vanlandingham leading songs.

Those serving as honorary urn bearers are Adam Rouse, Eric Rouse, Jerry David Walker, Jimmy Huggins, Larry Moore, Terry Hackworth, David Perry and Jerry Keeley.

The family of Daniel Eugene Rouse has entrusted his care, cremation and celebration of life to Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home, Fort Gibson. 918-478-2555.

Online condolences may be left for Dan's family at [clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com](http://clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com).

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

OCT 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

Fort Gibson Church of Christ  
806 S Lee  
Fort Gibson, OK 74434

# Tribute Wall



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dan Rouse.



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October 06, 2025 at 10:47 AM



“ Carol & Kids:  
I am so sorry to hear about your beloved Dan! He was a cherished minister of our Church here in Portales and we loved him like family. May the peace that passes all understanding be with you today and in the days to come.  
--Mary Helen Carter

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**Mary Helen Carter** - October 02, 2025 at 01:50 PM



“ Cindy Holderbee sent a virtual gift in memory of Dan Rouse



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**Cindy Holderbee** - October 01, 2025 at 02:55 PM

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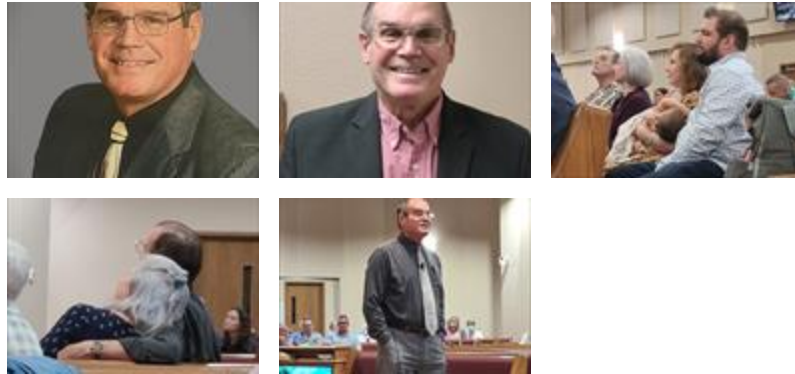
“ *seferina saldivar sent a virtual gift in memory of Dan Rouse*



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**seferina saldivar** - September 29, 2025 at 09:58 AM

BV

“ *17 files added to the album Dan Rouse Tribute Folder*



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**Barrett Vanlandingham** - September 25, 2025 at 09:23 PM

DS

“ *Truly a man of God, may you enjoy the welcoming embrace of the host of heaven dear brother. Dennis and Linda Swayne*

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**Dennis Swayne** - September 25, 2025 at 12:45 PM

JB

*Great impact on my faith and understanding of scripture. Super great bible teacher*

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**Jeff Brumfield** - September 28, 2025 at 06:23 PM

SS

*Simple the best minister that understood everyday people and will not be forgotten. Seferina Saldivar*

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**seferina saldivar** - September 29, 2025 at 09:57 AM