



## Halidon 'Hal' George Blakeslee

April 27, 1940 - July 25, 2021

Halidon George Blakeslee, 81, of Muskogee, Oklahoma was born April 27, 1940 in Hayward, Wisconsin to George Halidon and Evelyn (Whitefish) Blakeslee and passed away Sunday, July 25, 2021 in Muskogee. Hal received his formal education from Muskogee Central High School and graduated with the Class of 1957 and attended one year at the University of Oklahoma. On April 4, 1964, Hal married his best friend, Glenda Goolsby. Hal had a passion for trains. He liked photographing them and building models train sets. He liked to tinker with cars out in his shop from time to time. Hal retired in 2010 after more than 50 years serving as Vice President for H.E. Anderson Co. He liked to travel, frequented Boomerang Diner for breakfast, was always looking for a good cup of coffee to start the day, and a tall whiskey and a coke to finish it. He will be missed by all that knew him. Hal is survived by his son, Michael Blakeslee of Muskogee; his dog, who Hal entrusted to Michael, Schultz Otto Blakeslee; sister, Helen Cantrell of Lawton; brothers, John Blakeslee and wife, Betty, of Abilene, TX and Bill Blakeslee and wife, Sandy, of Muskogee. Hal is preceded in death by his parents; his daughter, April Blakeslee; and half-sister, Julia Barber. A service celebrating Hal's life will be 10:00AM Tuesday, August 3, 2021 at Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home Chapel, Fort Gibson with Reverend Emery Mason officiating. Pat Salmon, Randy Nester, Jim Hale, Gary Fay and Andy Anderson will serve as urn bearers. The family of Hal Blakeslee has entrusted his care, service and cremation to Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home, Fort Gibson. 918-478-2555. Online

condolences may be left for the family at [clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com](http://clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com)

## Cemetery Details

### Greenhill Cemetery

1500 N York  
Muskogee, OK 74434

## Previous Events

### Celebration of Life

AUG 3. 10:00 AM (CT)

Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home Chapel  
1224 E Poplar  
Fort Gibson, OK 74434

# Tribute Wall



“ *Halidon 'Hal' George Blakeslee*

January 29, 2023 at 12:59 PM



“ *Knew Hal as a fellow vendor for many years in the horticultural industry. What a great guy. Always had a smile and kind word for everyone. Represented himself and H.E. Anderson with class. To his family, he made a difference and that's something to be proud of. Rest in peace friend.*

*Ken Kuhajda, OHP  
Medina, OH*

**Ken Kuhajda** - August 18, 2021 at 12:01 PM



“ *Jerry Cooper purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Halidon 'Hal' George Blakeslee.*



**Jerry Cooper** - August 03, 2021 at 12:36 AM

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“ Mike and Hal at the diner. I'm almost certain they were laughing at Bill. We always had a lot of laughs when Hal, Bill, and Mike got together. I'd forget I'm at work and felt like I was just hanging out with the gang.



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Randell - July 30, 2021 at 11:12 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Halidon 'Hal' George Blakeslee.



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July 30, 2021 at 10:02 AM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Halidon 'Hal' George Blakeslee.



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July 29, 2021 at 11:07 AM

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“ R.I.P. Had a lot of great times with you at trade shows and what a great friend over the years. You will be missed. Condolences to family and friends.



Dennis - July 28, 2021 at 04:52 PM

RA

“ 🙋 I learned alot from this man over the past 10 years of our friendship. 🚂

☕ “When you love someone, you love the person as they are, and not as you’d like them to be.”

— Leo Tolstoy

🙏 You were my good admirable friend Hal. Thank you for sharing your time and memories with me. You listened to me and gave me advice on life. We gave eachother hell most of the time and that's how I knew our friendship was genuine. 😊 You're one of the most extraordinary persons I've ever known. I will always love you and forever be grateful to have known you. 🎵-Randi



Randell - July 27, 2021 at 11:00 PM