

# Jerry L. Gill

March 18, 1945 – August 22, 2025

Jerry Gill, 80, was born on March 18, 1945, to Roy and Jean Gifford Gill, in Oklahoma City, OK, and passed away in Edmond, OK, on August 22, 2025. He attended grade school in Norman, OK. The family eventually moved to Lindsay, OK, and Jerry graduated from Lindsay High School where he excelled in football, basketball, and track. He helped lead the team win the 1962 Class B football championship. For his effort, he received the First Team All-State Honors after the 1962 season. During high school, he met and began dating Susan Barry, an All-State Basketball Player. Jerry played college football (defensive backfield) at Oklahoma State University. Jerry and Susan were married for 60 years and raised four children: Derek, Lance, Andrea, and Tiffany. Jerry graduated from Oklahoma State University in Spring 1967, earning a bachelor's degree in history. At Oklahoma State University, Jerry went on to earn his master's and doctoral degrees in history. After graduating from Oklahoma State University, Jerry worked in several fields, but he never lost the desire to return, with his first position being in the High School and College Relations area. He eventually became director of Athletic Gifts. In addition, he worked with the POSSE Club in the Athletic Department. Later, Jerry served as the executive director of the Oklahoma State University Alumni Association for 26 years. Jerry retired from Oklahoma State University in 2007 after serving in a number of positions for a period of 40 years. During retirement, Jerry served on several Stillwater and community boards, often serving in a leadership capacity. He was a member of his church for several decades. Jerry was predeceased by his parents and brother-in-law, Bob Howard; and his sister-in-law, Cindy Thompson and her husband Alfred Thompson. Jerry is survived by his wife, Susan; sister, Barbara Howard; sister, Melva Smith and her husband, Thurman. He is also survived by his children, Derek (Tammy), Oklahoma City, OK; Lance (Susan), Edmond, OK; Andrea (Bob) Carter, Stillwater, OK; Tiffany (Justin) Lenhart, Edmond. He is also survived by the following grandchildren: Jared Gill, Mackenzie Gill, and Vincent Lenhart.