

**Coach Paul Gene Parent, of Oklahoma City, departed this life on Wednesday, July 27, 2016, at the age of 72. He was born March 23, 1944, in Albany, CA to Maudie Belle and James Elvester "J.E." Parent.**

**Paul was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother, and coach. He is survived by his wife, Patricia, of 50 years; children, Matt Parent, and wife, Trisha; Brannan Parent, and wife, Vanessa; and Hillary Grange and husband, Shaun; 9 grandchildren; and 3 brothers, Floyd Parent, Dwayne Parent, and Jerry Parent. Paul is preceded in death by his parents, brother, Leonard Parent; and sister, Linda Parent.**

**Family, friends, former students, and former and current athletes may visit Buchanan Funeral Service, 8712 N. Council, Oklahoma City, OK, on Thursday, August 4, 2016, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Please bring your best Coach Parent story.**

**Memorial services will be held Friday, August 5, 2016, at 1 p.m. at Council Road Baptist Church, 2900 N. Council Road, Bethany, OK. If you knew him as coach or teacher, we would encourage you to wear the school colors of the school, team, or organization where you met Coach Parent.**

