



Maxel "Todd" Durning

March 21, 1962 - September 12, 2025

Maxel "Todd" Durning, 63, of Ozark, Arkansas passed away Friday, September 12, 2025 in Ozark. He was born March 21, 1962 in Ozark, Arkansas to Bobbie Maxel "Mack" Durning and Wanda Fay Waits Durning. Todd was of the Baptist faith and a member of West Park Baptist Church in Ozark. He was a Rancher and a member of the Ozark School Board. He enjoyed helping with his community, was a volunteer coach for OAYO for many years, and enjoyed his time as a member at the Ozark Country Club. Todd loved watching sports, golfing, and spending time with his family and supporting them in all their activities. One of his favorite things was online shopping and specifically for shoes.

He is preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Danny Durning and Bobby Durning; and his father-in-law, Doyle Benson.

Todd is survived by his wife of 31 years, Lisa Kay Benson Durning; one daughter, Elizabeth Durning of Ozark; one son, Bailey Durning of Ozark; his mother-in-law, Margie Benson of Nesbit, Mississippi; one brother, Michael Durning of Ozark; Nina Lee and husband James of Paris, Arkansas; one sister-in-law, Susan Chambers and husband Chanley of Nesbit, Mississippi; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M., Monday, September 15, 2025 at

Shaffer Funeral Home, 2315 West Commercial Street in Ozark.

Funeral service will be 10:00 A.M., Tuesday, September 16, 2025 at Shaffer Funeral Home Chapel in Ozark, with Brother Troy Vaughn officiating, with burial at Belt Cemetery, Low Gap Road in Ozark, Arkansas.

Serving as pallbearers will be Bailey Durning, Nick Durning, Keystan Durning, Peyton Durning, Kiley Durning, Josh Durning, Shannon Lee, and Dustin Hillard. Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Tommy Adams, Mike Timmerman, Michael Durning, Craig Cook, Greg Easom, Garrett Shephard, and Brian Waits.

To leave an online memorial visit www.shafferfuneralhomeweb.com

Cemetery Details

Belt Cemetery

Low Gap Road
Ozark, AR

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **15**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Shaffer Funeral Home
2315 West Commercial Street
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shafferfuneralhome@gmail.com

Funeral Service

SEP **16**. 10:00 AM (CT)

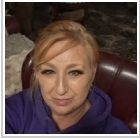
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Burial

SEP **16** (CT)

Belt Cemetery
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Tribute Wall



“ *Melissa Pannell lit a candle in memory of Maxel "Todd" Durning*



Melissa Pannell - December 04, 2025 at 03:31 PM



“ *I will always remember his laugh and kindness his wife is an amazing woman i hate that she lost the love of her life ❤️ I'm so sorry 😞 may God bless you and comfort you always ❤️*

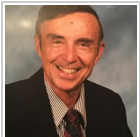
Charlotte Bugg - November 29, 2025 at 08:26 PM



“ *Fall Fantasia was purchased for the family of Maxel "Todd" Durning.*



September 16, 2025 at 05:28 PM



“ *Todd was a man for all seasons as evidenced by the huge crowd at his funeral service.*



Vernon McDaniel - September 16, 2025 at 03:30 PM



“ *Vernon McDaniel sent a virtual gift in memory of Maxel "Todd" Durning*



Vernon McDaniel - September 16, 2025 at 03:23 PM

SF

“ *So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

John & Sandy Fox

Sandy Fox - September 16, 2025 at 07:02 AM

SA

“ *Shae and Ethan Angel purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Maxel "Todd" Durning.*



Shae and Ethan Angel - September 15, 2025 at 09:14 PM

MB

“ *Montana B. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Maxel "Todd" Durning.*



Montana B. - September 15, 2025 at 04:34 PM

TF

“ *The Belt family lit a candle in memory of Maxel "Todd" Durning*



The Belt family - September 15, 2025 at 03:06 PM

JK

“ *So sorry to hear of Todd passing. Praying for your family. Jennifer Crane Key*

Jennifer Key - September 15, 2025 at 01:32 PM

NI

“ *Nichols Loading Inc. purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Maxel "Todd" Durning.*



Nichols Loading Inc. - September 15, 2025 at 11:18 AM

JB

“ *jason and Shannon Bradley purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Maxel "Todd" Durning.*



jason and Shannon Bradley - September 15, 2025 at 10:47 AM

RH

“ Thoughts and prayers to the family during this difficult time.

Max & Robbie Harrison

Robbie Harrison - September 15, 2025 at 10:28 AM

BV

“ 1 file added to the album Slideshow



Byron Lasater V - September 14, 2025 at 10:18 PM

MS

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with all of the family. So very sorry for your loss. May he rest in peace.

Marcia and Teddy Schluterman - September 14, 2025 at 09:51 PM

CB

“ Chancy, Mandy, & the boys purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Maxel "Todd" Durning.



Chancy, Mandy, & the boys - September 14, 2025 at 02:14 PM

DB

“ So sorry Lisa and kids for yall loss ..my thoughts and prayers are with yall

Dian Bradley - September 14, 2025 at 01:56 PM

BP

“ *Becky Penland lit a candle in memory of Maxel "Todd" Durning*



Becky Penland - September 14, 2025 at 11:54 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Maxel "Todd" Durning.*



September 14, 2025 at 10:47 AM

GE

“ *Greg & Shavae Easom purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Maxel "Todd" Durning.*



Greg & Shavae Easom - September 14, 2025 at 09:46 AM

CB

“ *I remember my first time meeting Todd, it was at the local grocery store where I worked at while I was still in high school and he was on the school board. I will never forget that day. I knew he was a true hillbilly fan from the first time I met him hillbilly nation has lost a good one he will be forever remembered in my heart.*

Chris Barr - September 14, 2025 at 01:56 AM

JB

“ I first met you when you came to visit Tim. You made me feel important when you let me put your pads in your football uniform. And a ritual it became.
It wasn't until later that we became friends. The miles we all put on your truck. I won't ever forget when you broke your leg on the ice. I was so happy when you and Lisa got together. She was so good for you. My heart breaks for her, Bailey and Elizabeth.
Thanks for always being such a great friend I am going to miss you.
Fly High until we meet again

Janet Cloos Barnes - September 14, 2025 at 01:25 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Maxel "Todd" Durning.



September 13, 2025 at 11:52 PM

JF

“ So sorry for your loss. He did so much good for his community and school. So thankful for his service on the school board. Praying for you to be comforted and given peace as you go through this difficult time.

James and Janie Ford - September 13, 2025 at 11:48 PM

MP

“ RIP Todd, so sorry to hear you have passed from this life. Lisa and family, I am praying for you all. You are all in our thoughts.

Melanie Phillips - September 13, 2025 at 10:45 PM