



Sylvester "J.R." Salyers Jr

November 25, 2020

SYLVESTER (J.R.) SALYERS, Jr. 87, of Muskogee, Oklahoma passed away Wednesday, November 25, 2020. He was born December 5, 1932 in Vann's Lake, Oklahoma to Sylvester F. and Alice (Cochran) Salyers. J.R. began working at the young age of twelve, and attended grade school through high school in Muskogee, Oklahoma. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in December 1950 during the Korean Conflict, just five months short of graduation.

J.R. was one of several veterans who enlisted during the Korean Conflict prior to high school graduation who were later honored by receiving a high school diploma. He was stationed in Germany and honorably discharged from military service in December 1953. After returning to Muskogee, he married Vergie Earlene Macomb on May 28, 1955. They shared 65 years together. J.R. was employed by Frito-Lay, first as a route salesman, and later as a district sales manager, and retired after 25+ years of service.

He was a 32nd degree Mason and member of Muskogee Bedouin Temple Shriners, where he participated as a founding member of the "Merrymakers". He was a fan of old western movies and enjoyed adding to his collection. He also loved to travel to California to visit family, and any other type of family get-togethers. J.R. was a long-time member of Eastern Heights Baptist Church in Muskogee, Oklahoma.

J.R. is survived by his wife, Earlene, of the home; son Terry Salyers, of Marshal, Texas, daughter, Janet Allen, of Muskogee, Oklahoma, Maxine Judkins, sister, of Muskogee, grandchildren Rachel Allen and Glenn Allen, of Muskogee, and several nieces and nephews, as well as extended cousins and family members.

J.R. was well-known by many people, and never seemed to meet a stranger. His memory will be cherished and he will be greatly missed here on earth.

Cemetery

Memorial Park Cemetery

7600 Old Taft Rd.

Muskogee, OK, 74401