



Dennis Leo Jenks

February 13, 1929 - May 25, 2016

Dennis Leo Jenks, 87, passed from this life to the next on Wednesday, May 25, 2016, in Muskogee, OK. Dennis was a Korean War veteran, having served first in a U.S. Army artillery unit and then supply routes. Upon getting discharged from the Army, he married his fiancé, Violet M. Shaw, in May of 1952. Dennis and Violet moved to Muskogee in 1956, then to Braggs from 1958 until 1992, where they raised their two sons and ran two businesses. Dennis was a propane route salesman for 20 years in Braggs, and served as a volunteer fire chief, saving several burning houses under his leadership. In their retirement years, they moved back to Muskogee where they started, developed, and managed their own rental business, Jenks Property Management Company. Dennis was a man who never met a stranger and enjoyed helping people.

He was born on February 13, 1929 in Gentry, Arkansas, as the middle child born of nine siblings. He was preceded in death by a son, Randy Jenks; a daughter-in-law, Debbie Jenks; parents, Albert and Willa Jenks; two sisters, Louise Cowden and Faye Ricketts; six brothers, Wayne, LeRoy, Charles, Daryle, Bill, and Ronnie. He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Violet; a son, Duane Jenks, along with two grandsons, Tracy Jenks and his wife Nydia, and Marcos Jenks, all of Fort Worth, TX; a granddaughter, Rebecca Jenks Shaw and husband Jim, along with two great grandsons, Nathan and Noah Shaw, all of Billings, MT; and several nieces and nephews. He was a member of the Chandler Road Church of Christ. Due to several family illnesses, there will be

no memorial service. His ashes will be interred at the Fort Gibson National Cemetery at a later date.

Tribute Wall



“ *Dennis Leo Jenks*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Don Crum lit a candle in memory of Dennis Leo Jenks*



Don Crum - May 28, 2016 at 05:02 PM



Violet, Duane, and the rest of the Jenks family. So sorry about your loss. I got to know Dennis well when I and Don Huntington operated the Gibble gas station in Braggs in 1972 or 1973 I believe. He was always a friendly person and seemed to like me and my sister Colene pretty well. I saw him at Grace and feel bad I didn't get back to see him. I know you will miss him greatly.

Don Crum - May 28, 2016 at 05:08 PM

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“ To the Jenks family ~~

On behalf of the Braggs History Project, we would like to extend our sympathies to your family.



Dennis Jenks lived in Braggs for many years before moving to Muskgoee. While many people come and go with barely a trace, Dennis left a large footprint. He served his church and his community by faith, dedication and volunteering.

At the Braggs Veterans Park, his name is listed along side his son's. Dennis answered the call of his country during a time of war and earned the gratitude of a grateful nation and community.

*Fran Barker
for the Braggs History Project*

Fran Barker - May 28, 2016 at 06:03 AM

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“ We would like to extend our sincere condolences to Violet, Duane, and the entire Jenks family. Our family has known and been friends with the Jenks family for many, many years. Prayers for all during this time of grief.

Hack and Pat Isbell

Pat Isbell - May 27, 2016 at 09:00 AM