



## Eugene Dye

May 23, 1926 - August 18, 2023

Eugene Dye 97, of Muskogee, Oklahoma passed away on Friday, August 18, 2023. He was born on May 23, 1926, the fourth of nine children to Roy and Pearl (West) Dye in Fort Gibson, Oklahoma. He graduated from Fort Gibson High School with the class of 1944. He continued his education at Muskogee Jr College, graduating in 1953. He went on and attended Northeastern State University. Gene married the love of his life Ruby Maxine Williams, on June 26, 1948. They shared over 75 years of life, marriage, and family together. Gene proudly served in the U.S. Navy in The South Pacific during World War II and received an honorable discharge. He retired from the General Services Administration after 37 years in 1981. He also worked in civil services as a public service building manager for eastern and southeast Oklahoma in the federal government. Gene was a faithful member of Trinity Methodist Church since 1953. He served in many capacities such as chairman of trustees, pastor parish relations committee and head usher. Gene was a Master Mason in the Trinity Lodge# 502 of Muskogee, and 33-degree Scottish Rite Mason of McAlester. He was a member of the Bedouin Shrine of Muskogee and was awarded the Masonic Medal of Honor. He was also a member of VFW, American Legion and D.A.V.

Gene was an avid sportsman and loved quail, pheasant, and deer hunting, and fishing. He also loved going camping and spending time with his family. He will be missed by everyone who knew and loved him.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Roy and Pearl Dye; brothers, John

Dye, Billy Dye, Robert Roy Dye, Charles Dye; sisters, Rosa Lee James and Wanda Bradley and twin daughters, Elizabeth Ann and Pamela Dye.

Gene is survived by his loving wife, Ruby Dye, brother Henry Dye and sister Minnie Ellen Logan along with many nieces, nephews, family members and friends.

A celebration of Gene's life will be 12PM, Friday, August 25, 2023 at Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Gwen Collins Derrick officiating. Interment will follow at Fort Gibson National Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 Cemetery Rd  
Fort Gibson, OK 74434  
(918) 478-2334

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **24.** 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

CORNERSTONE FUNERAL HOME  
1830 N York St  
MUSKOGEE, OK 74403

## Service

AUG **25.** 12:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel  
1830 N. York St.  
Muskogee, OK 74403

# Tribute Wall



“ *Eugene Dye*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



**DaRhonda Clabaugh** - August 26, 2023 at 12:00 AM



“ *59 files added to the album Life Tributes*



**Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory** - August 24, 2023 at 10:52 AM

TR

“ Dear Ruby and family-  
I'm was so sorry to hear Gene passed away. He was such a nice and kind man to everyone he met. My kids were all crazy about him. He will be missed very much by everyone who knew him. I am keeping you in my thoughts and prayers, and know that God will be with you in the days ahead. Your strong faith will carry you through.  
Love always,  
Millie Rigney

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**Terry Farley/ mildred Rigney** - August 23, 2023 at 05:42 PM

GC

Gene Dye was such a kind and gentle soul! Always treated everyone with respect! My sincere condolences to Ruby and the rest of his family



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**Gary Cooper** - August 23, 2023 at 09:54 PM

CW

“ It is such an honor and privilege to have known and to be distantly related to such a kind, good and decent man like Gene. He was raised in a close knit, warm, loving and welcoming family that shared much time and memorable experiences with my family in early day Fort Gibson. It is difficult imagining how hard life must have been for him in earlier, sometimes challenging times....for I have always seen him smiling, friendly with kind words to share, engaging, supportive of others, generous with his time and interests in others and never complaining. It was a treasure for me to often be a witness to him and my mother sharing stories and long ago memories. Married 75years to his beloved Ruby, who together demonstrated perfectly what marriage can and should be. Together, they were always a joy to be around with their sweet and unassuming natures, supporting and attending countless community events throughout the years. He was a devoted husband, brother, uncle, friend, Mason, Cherokee citizen, Methodist and WW2 veteran.....just a few of many roles he served well and honorably well into his nineties. What a lovely man with a sterling character. I feel so lucky to have been graced by his presence and hope his loved ones will be comforted now with recalling so many treasured moments with him. Wishing much heartfelt love and sympathies to all who knew and loved this incredible man. Carolyn Cahoon Watts.

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**Carolyn Watts** - August 22, 2023 at 11:03 AM

DB

“ One of the best men I have ever known. He hired me in 1980 for the General Services admin.

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**Don Bean** - August 19, 2023 at 11:40 AM