



Harry A. "Bunkie" Tatum Jr.

February 27, 1933 - July 13, 2020

Harry A. "Bunkie" Tatum Jr, passed on Monday, July 13, 2020 at the age of 87. He was born on February 27, 1933 in Cushing, Oklahoma to Harry A. Tatum Sr and Ema Alma Tatum.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and his daughter, Randy Diane Hibdon. He was the youngest and the last of 5 siblings, Glea and husband Raymond Douthit and sons Jack and Rusty Douthit, Lea Collins and husband Walter, Carl Ray Tatum and wife Peggy, Alma Jean Kirk and husband Jack.

Bunkie graduated from Muskogee High School with the class of 1952. During his high school years, he played all sports, baseball, basketball, and football; where they won a state championship.

After high school, Bunkie served in the US Army spending most of his time in Germany and Europe. After his discharge, he came home and married Patsy Ruth Cavin. They were blessed with three children, Derek, Randy, and Keeley.

Bunkie was hired at the Muskogee Fire Department where he worked for 30 years and retired as Assistant Chief. On his days off from the fire department, he had an upholstery business up until his later years.

He is survived by his son, Derek S. Tatum and wife Suzi; daughter, Keeley

Tatum and Bubby Morgan; grandchildren, Brandy and Caleb Axsom, Derek Wayne Tatum and wife Melissa, Chris Silence, Holly and Kevin Cabe, Samantha and Dante Swimme, Dakota West, Wyatt and Addy Wolfe, Kort, Dylan, and Taylor Morgan; 11 great-grandchildren; nieces, Jan Birmingham, Walena Haynes, Nedra Kay Henson, Becky Davis, Peggy Day, and Dixie Davidson; nephews, Johnny Collins, and Jack Kirk; special friends, Bill Standridge, Bill Ricketts, Charlie Wilburn, and Jerry Whitlock.

Funeral services celebrating Bunkie's life will be 2PM, Friday, July 17, 2020 at Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Danny Mills officiating. Interment will follow at Greenhill Cemetery with members of the Muskogee Fire Department Honor Guard serving as pallbearers.

Cemetery Details

Greenhill Cemetery

1500 N. York Street
Muskogee, OK 74403

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 15. 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home & Crematory
1830 North York Street
Muskogee, OK 74403
(918) 682-1500

Visitation

JUL 16. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Service

JUL 17. 2:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Harry A. "Bunkie" Tatum Jr.*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *I worked with Bunkie at the Muskogee Fire Department for several years. He and I water skied every chance we got in the early '60's. He really enjoyed his horses and the rodeos. He was a fine man and a good friend.*

*Rest In Peace
Cecil Luke*

Cecil Luke - July 23, 2020 at 10:39 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Harry A. "Bunkie" Tatum Jr..*



July 16, 2020 at 04:48 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Harry A. "Bunkie" Tatum Jr..*



July 16, 2020 at 01:12 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Harry A. "Bunkie" Tatum Jr..



July 15, 2020 at 07:28 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Harry A. "Bunkie" Tatum Jr..



July 15, 2020 at 05:28 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Harry A. "Bunkie" Tatum Jr..



July 15, 2020 at 04:55 PM



“ *Jeff and Karen Mitchell* purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Harry A. "Bunkie" Tatum Jr..



Jeff and Karen Mitchell - July 15, 2020 at 12:31 PM



“ *Oklahoma Chiller Corporation purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Harry A. "Bunkie" Tatum Jr..*



Oklahoma Chiller Corporation - July 14, 2020 at 09:36 AM