



## Dr. John Dee Mose

April 22, 1921 - May 4, 2019

John Dee Mose was born on April 22, 1921, the only child of Dee Wesley Mose and Zella Mae (nee Neafus) Mose on the family farm near Sapulpa, Oklahoma. He passed away peacefully, in his home, on Saturday, May 4, 2019.

John grew up in Bixby, Oklahoma. As a boy, he enjoyed spending time with his grandparents on the family farm, and traveling around the country with his aunt and uncle, Burlin and Freida Bennett.

John graduated from Bixby High School, then studied at Oklahoma A&M from 1938-1940. He then fulfilled his life dream to become a dentist, graduating from the Kansas City School of Dentistry, and later the University of Missouri. While in Kansas City, he met Jean Kathryn Kersten, and the two married in 1943. They were married for 58 years.

Upon finishing dental school, he enlisted in the United States Navy, serving as a dentist at Great Lakes Naval Station and aboard various ships in the South Pacific during World War II. After the war, the family moved to Sapulpa, where John practiced general dentistry from 1946-1966. While in Sapulpa, he was a member of the City Council, served a short term as mayor, was a member of the Sapulpa School Board, as well as the board of directors of Security National Bank. He was active in the Boy Scouts of American, and travelled with son, John Jr., on many boy scout activities.

In 1966, he chose to further his education, moving back to Kansas City to specialize in prosthodontics, becoming Board Certified in the field, receiving

several awards and recognition. After obtaining his degree, he chose to remain at the dental school as a teacher. In 1972, he accepted a position with the Veteran's Hospital in Kansas City, and transferred to the Muskogee Veteran's Hospital in 1974. Upon retirement from the VA, he returned to private practice as the sole prosthodontist in Muskogee, where he was active in his professional organization and helped many patients until his health began to fail in 2012. He was also on the staff of the OU Dental School, teaching every other Friday until his grandson graduated from the school in 2002. John was able to fulfill his passion, practicing dentistry, for nearly 70 years.

John married Mardie Spencer in 2002. The couple shared 16 years together, enjoying their life in Muskogee. John was a tireless and dedicated professional. He was a faithful member of St. Paul United Methodist Church, serving on leadership boards and committees. He was a member the Wedding Ring Sunday School class. He delighted in his 3 children, 5 grand-children, and 10 great grand-children. He loved spending time with his family and visiting with friends.

He never failed to ask about their children and grandchildren, and was truly interested in their lives, even until he could no longer leave his home.

He was preceded in death by his parents and by his wife, Jean.

He is survived by his wife, Mardie, of the home, daughters Linda (Robert) McKenzie of Webberville, Michigan, Connie (Weldon) Stout, of Muskogee, son John (Rosanna) Mose of Muskogee, grand-children Justin (Shelly) Stout of Muskogee, John III (Kerr) of Bixby, Oklahoma, Mandy (Eric) Knittel of Austin, Texas, Steven (Christy) Mose Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, Andrew (Rayna) Mose of

Muskogee, great grand-children Reed and Cameron Stout, Jack and Macy Mose, Kate, Aiden, and Luke Knittel, Maggie Mose, Isabella, and Adelyn Mose, brother-in-law and sister-in-law Charles and Marjorie Teter, and many cousins. He will be lovingly missed by his family, friends, patients, loving

caregivers, and all who knew him as a caring, generous, and kind man. A celebration of John's life will be 1PM, Monday, May 13, 2019 in the sanctuary of St. Paul United Methodist Church in Muskogee, In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials to St. Paul United Methodist Church of Muskogee.

Funeral Services under the direction of Cornerstone Funeral Home 1830 N York St Muskogee, OK 74403. Condolences can be made at [www.cornerstoneofmuskogee.com](http://www.cornerstoneofmuskogee.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAY 13. 1:00 PM (CT)

St. Paul United Methodist Church  
2130 W Okmulgee  
Muskogee, OK 74401

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. John Dee Mose*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Prayers to the entire family. Dr Mose will always be remembered as such a sweet gentleman and a well as a true professional in his field.*

**Dee Dunn** - May 13, 2019 at 08:18 AM



“ *Our family was so blessed knowing Dr. Mose for over 30 years. What a great man. He loved his family. Sherman, Debbie Grubb, Tamara and Lee.*

**Debbie Grubb** - May 12, 2019 at 04:31 PM



“ *He was a wonderful man. I remember as a child, Dr. Mose would give my brother and me Trident chewing gum for Christmas. Each Sunday, he always made a point to speak to my brother and me.*

*My thoughts and prayers go to the Mose family.*

**Tyler Allbery** - May 12, 2019 at 01:01 PM



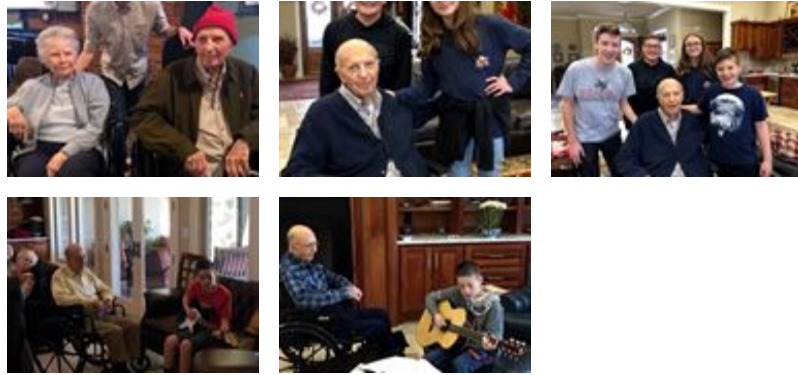
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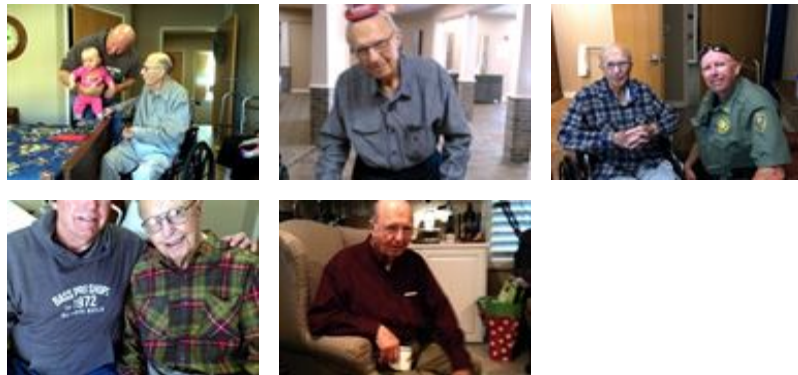
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*Dr Mose was a great dentist and teacher. He was never too busy to show you how to do something correctly and always gave great advise on any subject. I truly loved that man and he will be missed by everyone who had the privilege of knowing him.*

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**Wilma Gregg** - May 10, 2019 at 04:29 PM

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“ *My deepest condolences. Dr. Mose was such a kind, sweet man . I always enjoyed my time at our many appointments. He always spoke highly of his family and I know he will be missed. Prayers for comfort for you all.*

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**Janice Lovelady** - May 07, 2019 at 03:41 PM