



## Leonard Howdeshell

January 23, 1932 - December 29, 2014

Leonard Howdeshell, 82, of Muskogee, Oklahoma passed away Monday, December 29, 2014. He was born January 23, 1932 in Muskogee, Oklahoma to Clarence and Opal Howdeshell. Leonard graduated from Muskogee Central High School with the class of 1950.

Leonard married the love of his life, Jewel "Darlene" Eller on December 8, 1951. They shared 63 years of marriage together.

Leonard had been part of the South East Muskogee community since the 1960's. He worked as a farmer and dairyman for many years. Later in his life, Leonard worked for RWD District #5 until his retirement in 1997. Leonard loved being a part of RWD District #5.

He was a member of Warner First Baptist Church and loved his Sunday School Class dearly. Leonard also loved hunting, bowling, roping, and most importantly, Leonard loved spending time with his family and friends.

Leonard will be always be remembered as a devoted father, husband, and grandfather.

The family request that memorials to be made out to Warner First Baptist Church Building Fund.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Clarence and Opal Howdeshell; and sister-in-law, Lenora Howdeshell.

Leonard is survived by his wife, Darlene Howdeshell; daughters, Cindy Rich of Collinsville, OK, Denise and Jerry Stroud of Warner, OK; grandchildren, Kristi and Randy Guthrie of Checotah, OK, Shawn and Martha Hogner of

Muskogee, OK, Patrick and Amanda Hewitt of Oklahoma City, OK, Jason Stroud, Julie , and Daniel Miller of Warner, OK; great grandchildren, Dale and Tiffany Guthrie, Beth Guthrie, Sarah and Ronnie Milligan all of Checotah, OK, Dawson Hogner of Muskogee, OK, Justin Stroud, Caleb Miller , Case Miller, and Caden Miller of Warner, OK, Hailey Hewitt and Beth Hewitt of Oklahoma City, OK; great-great grandchildren, Jaylynn Guthrie, Olivia Guthrie, and Wyatt Guthrie; brothers, Tommy Howdeshell of Wagoner, OK, Lindell and Olga Howdeshell of Jacksonville, AR; sister, Barbara and Jack Harrison of Muskogee, OK; many nieces, nephews, other family members, and many friends.

The family will receive friends from 2:00-4:00 p.m., Sunday, January 4, 2015 at Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel.

Funeral Services for Leonard will be 10:00 A.M., Monday, January 5, 2015 at Warner First Baptist with Rev. Bill Crow and Rev. Sam Dunn officiating.

Interment will follow at Brushy Mountain Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Tim Synar, Nick Reich, Roger Synar, Jerry Lowery, Charlie Reed, Brent Gorman, Brian Gorman, and James Spradlin. Honorary pallbearers will be members of the "David Class", Wayne Mullen, and Ken Baird.

# Cemetery Details

**Brushy Mountain Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

**JAN 2.** 10:00 AM - 5:30 PM (CT)

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

### Visitation

**JAN 3.** 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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

### Visitation

**JAN 4.** 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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

## Family Visitation

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JAN 4. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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

## Service

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JAN 5. 10:00 AM (CT)

Warner First Baptist Church  
810 2nd Ave  
Warner, OK 74469

# Tribute Wall



“ Leonard Howdeshell

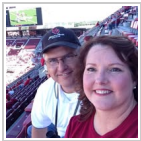
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“ Leonard was a very sweet man, he was always smiling. He was always very kind to my dad, I think they felt connected through their illnesses. Leonard will be missed very much. I know you will miss him, I will be praying for you Denise and Cindy, as well as the rest of your family. Cherish all those wonderful memories that are evident in the photos that you shared. He was a wonderful person and that carries on through his family.

Shari Smithson

Shari Smithson - January 06, 2015 at 11:22 AM



“ Leonard was like another grandfather to our children. Every Sunday at church you could count on a smile and a hug. We will miss his smile and especially his hugs. All our prayers go out to Darlene, Denise, Cindy, and the family.

Ray, Kim, Tosha, and Ray III

Kim King - January 05, 2015 at 07:08 AM

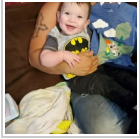


JM

“ I 'll always remember how kind your dad was and how welcoming he always made me feel. So sorry for your loss...may your wonderful memories keep you strong. You are in my prayers.

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**judy medlin** - January 03, 2015 at 09:53 PM



“ my aunt was Bea Howdeshell so I have known him and family all my life I am praying for the family

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**Sharon Perryman Walker** - January 03, 2015 at 07:54 PM

VG

“ There is no more wonderful a family, than the family of Leonard Howdeshell. Some of my fondest memories are of dropping by "home" w Denise and always being teased and kidded by Leonard with that special twinkle in his eyes! He could always make us smile and laugh. I am blessed to have known such an amazing dad to my dear childhood friends, Denise and Cindy. Love and prayers to ya'll and your families. Your Dad's goodness lives on always through you.

*Vicki Rolland Garrison*

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**Vicki Rolland Garrison** - January 03, 2015 at 01:17 PM

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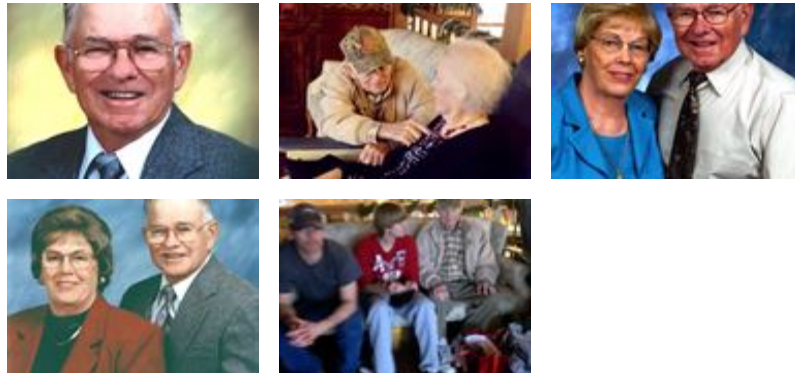
“ I can remember as a kid ..Mr Howdeshell letting us go fishing behind the house on dirty creek...always smiling ...so very nice..would even open the gate...very kind ..thanks to him I have some very fond memories of fishing with my grandmother..prayers for his family

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**angie marshall** - January 03, 2015 at 10:07 AM



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Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - January 02, 2015 at 12:19 PM

LG

“ One of my first memories after moving to Oklahoma was going with my Mom to get milk from your Dad, he was so handsome and such a nice man. They don't make them like our Dads anymore, good, hardworking, honest men, always willing to help out their neighbors. My prayers go up for your family, we were so lucky to have them as long as we did. Lori Clark Gordon

Lori Clark Gordon - December 31, 2014 at 04:26 PM

LH

“ Leonard was a great brother and wonderful husband. He was so kind to myself and Olga when we returned from Europe and Olga didn't know anyone here. That kindness never wavered to us and the rest of his family and grandchildren. We will surely miss his smile and caring attitude.

Lindell L. Howdeshell - December 31, 2014 at 12:05 PM

SW

I remember your family with great fondness. So sorry for your loss.  
Sharon Wise Woolery

Sharon Wise Woolery - January 09, 2015 at 09:20 PM