



Marion "Joe" Fletcher

February 7, 1926 - November 28, 2016

Marion "Joe" Fletcher passed away this week in Muskogee, Oklahoma. He was born on Houston Street in Muskogee on Feb. 7, 1926 to Lilly and Clarence Fletcher. Joe attended Muskogee High School and was on the Roughers football team. Although Joe was offered football scholarships to 5 different colleges, he chose to join the Navy during World War II. Joe was assigned to the USS Wasp, an aircraft carrier, for more than two years. At the end of the war, Joe returned to Muskogee and married his sweetheart, Josephine Brown. Together they raised their son, Gary Fletcher.

Joe was a member of Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters Union 351, in Muskogee and Local 430 in Tulsa. Joe's pipefitter assignments took him around the world. He worked in Cuba, Mexico, Vietnam, Thailand, Canada, Labrador, Nova Scotia, Nigeria and many cities in the United States. Many of the locations where Joe worked were difficult, especially Nigeria, when the government was being overthrown, and Thule, Greenland with extended stays at the polar ice cap. Later in his career, Joe was a superintendent on the building of a powerhouse in Madhya Pradesh, India. After retiring, Joe continued to represent his union as the Vice President of the Executive Board. Joe lived a full and robust life and never stopped being curious about the world. He enjoyed the challenge of crossword puzzles, O.U. Football and cooking. Joe was an excellent cook. Joe was always the lead chef in creating holiday meals for everyone to enjoy. When Joe was on the road working, he arranged and prepared meals at Masonic Lodges for fellow members he

would meet in his travels.

Joe was predeceased by his loving wife of 61 years, Josephine.

He is survived by his son Gary (Allison), two granddaughters, Rebecca Cassen (Randy), Amy Fletcher (Jim Irish), two great granddaughters, Olivia Irish and Lila Cassen, and two great grandsons, Fletcher Cassen and Samuel Fletcher Irish. Both of Joe's great grandsons were named for their Papa Joe. A celebration of Joe's life will be 10:00 A.M., Friday, December 2, 2016 at Greenhill Cemetery Pavilion with Rev. Nathan Little officiating.

Cemetery Details

Greenhill Cemetery

1500 N. York Street
Muskogee, OK 74403

Previous Events

Graveside Service

DEC 2. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Marion "Joe" Fletcher*

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