



Oscar C. Rhodes

May 11, 1949 - April 18, 2017

Oscar Curtis Rhodes, 67, of Muskogee, Oklahoma passed away Tuesday, April 18, 2017. He was born May 11, 1949 in Pampa, Texas to Harold Edgar and June (Wheeler) Rhodes Dillinger.

He proudly served his country in the Marine Corps. He served in the Vietnam war and earned the Good Conduct Medal in 1968. He then went to work for the Veterans Administration Hospital, where he later retired as a Patient Services Representative in 1985. Oscar later worked for Safety Fire. He was a member of the D.A.V. Oscar proudly flew the American Flag at his home, as he was very honored to be an American.

Oscar married the love of his life, Virginia Ann (Kane) Rhodes, February 16, 1978 in Muskogee, Oklahoma. Together they shared over 39 years of love, friendship, and marriage.

He truly loved being "PaPa" and enjoyed spending time with all his grandchildren. Family will always cherish his ornery side but that is what they loved about him. If Oscar wasn't with his family, he could be found tending his beautiful garden or fishing, where he would often go for his quiet time. He had a special place in his heart for each of his animals.

Oscar was preceded in death by his parents, Harold Rhodes and June (Wheeler) Dillinger; Mother-in-law, Maxine Kane; and daughter, Sherri Dukes. He is survived by his loving wife of the home, Ginger Rhodes; sons, Brian Harshfield and wife Christi, Daniel Rhodes and partner Sherri Steinbiser, and John Rhodes; grandkids, Stormy Sequichie, Jimmy Jr. Sequichie, Austin

Adamson, Taylor Trzcinski, Evie Trzcinski, Laila Harshfield, Miley Harshfield, Jacob Rhodes and Ajay Dukes; great grandkids, Leah Adamson, and Kash Rhodes; sister, Carol Blankenship and husband Steve; sister-in-law, Cindy Kane; niece, Leslie Blankenship, niece, Tracy Terrell and nephew, Michael Halley; along with many family and friends who will miss him dearly.

Cemetery Details

Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 National Cemetery Rd.
Fort Gibson, OK

Previous Events

Service

APR 25. 12:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Oscar C. Rhodes*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM

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“ In loving memory of my brother also known by me as Bub. Growing up I know I was the pesky little sister that drove you crazy. (You didn't understand you were my idle.) I remember getting several spanking for tearing those dresses mom put on me trying to keep up with you. I remember when you went in the Marines, my heart was literally broken. The day you left you handed me your keys and my job was to start your car once a week to keep it running. Each time I started that car, I cried, you weren't there anymore and I was heartbroken. I remember when you got to come home for the first time, I was so proud to walk beside this handsome man in uniform holding your hand, thankful you were home. (yes, someone to play with!) I remember that Friday at school was show and tell, and I wanted to take you! (you really wanted no part of it) but my insistent begging, you finally gave in.) I was so proud that day to have my handsome brother there in uniform to show off! You gave some short little speech about the military. Each time you came home and left again broke my heart. During those years I grew up and a man came into my life. You were still in California and told me you couldn't come home to give me away, so since our dad had already passed on I asked Uncle Floyd to give me away. Much to my surprise on my wedding day you walked in. I didn't want to hurt anyone's feelings so I had two handsome men to give me away. Our lives moved on and you were there with me when I was in labor with my darling daughter timing my contractions. Then fast forward 3 years and I was there when you and Ginger had your sweet bundle of joy, Danny! The grin on your face looking at that little baby, you looked at me and informed me yours wouldn't be as spoiled as mine!!!! We can all laugh about that now. Just so others will know, my brother was the type of man that loved greatly, He was very talented. Could make his own fishing jigs, work on your lawn mower and it actually worked when he was done. He was the type of man that when our dog passed away that came and



got him and buried him for us cause my husband couldn't bear to do it.

He could make toy boxes for his grandchildren. Build a nice deck around the house.

Install ceiling fans for his sister. He would take time away from his family to go to North Carolina to help drive a vehicle back, when his niece had to move back to Oklahoma.

He patiently taught me how to fish, and laughed when I caught a snake....I didn't think it was funny! If you took the time to get to know him you became a life long friend. He was one of the best people to help others that I know.

I've now come to one more time that you are leaving me, heartbroken again. This time, I know that I will see you again, I asked you about your salvation, so I have that guarantee.

I know you are at peace, no more pain and suffering, finally resting in perfect peace. I'm sure you fishing with all the fishermen that have gone before you, laughing that laugh that only you have. Till I see you again Bub, kiss my momma, and have fun in heaven.

My love always, your sister, Carol

Carol Blankenship - April 24, 2017 at 11:34 PM

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“ *Peggy Kershaw Stevens lit a candle in memory of Oscar C. Rhodes*



Peggy Kershaw Stevens - April 24, 2017 at 11:54 AM



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Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - April 21, 2017 at 12:09 PM



“ *Sharon Syfrett lit a candle in memory of Oscar C. Rhodes*



Sharon Syfrett - April 21, 2017 at 09:31 AM