



## Raymond G. Wise

April 8, 1939 - January 9, 2017

Raymond Giuliano Wise died peacefully at home with family by his side in Muskogee, Oklahoma on January 9, 2017 at the age of 77.

Raymond is survived by his wife, Patricia Wise; children, Michelle and husband Kurtis Rowan of Muskogee; Mikel Wise of Tulsa; a sister, Huguette Luchesi of Antibes, France; brother, Andre Giuliano of Antibes, France; grandchildren, Jillian and husband Patrick Dawes of Dallas, Texas; Makenzi Sandersfield of Muskogee; Jacob Wise of Norman; Levi Sandersfield of Muskogee; Konner & Caleb Rowan of Muskogee; and great-granddaughter, Aria Sandersfield of Muskogee. He is preceded in death by his parents, Pierre and Albine Giuliano of Antibes, France, Larry and Marie Wise of Muskogee, and parents-in-law, Haskell and Virgie Hughes of Muskogee.

Raymond was born on April 08, 1939 in Antibes France. He graduated from Northeastern State University with a Master's degree in Education in 1975. He married Patricia Hughes on July 7, 1962 and moved to San Bernardino, California to begin his career as a French teacher and coach. In 1971 he moved back to Muskogee where he taught at Muskogee High School and then Ft. Gibson Schools, where he retired.

Raymond was accomplished at woodworking and often could be found in his workshop, whistling. Raymond was a member of the First Assembly of God church in Muskogee, OK.

The family will receive friends from 5:30-7:30 p.m., Thursday, January 12, 2017 at Cornerstone Funeral Home.

A funeral service is scheduled for 10:00 a.m., Friday, January 13, 2017 at First Assembly of God in Muskogee. Dr. Steve Rose and Joel Downing will officiate the ceremony. Burial will be at Greenhill Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenhill Cemetery

1500 N. York Street  
Muskogee, OK 74403

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 11. 2:00 PM - 5:30 PM (CT)

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

## Visitation

JAN 12. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Family Visitation

JAN 12. 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

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

## Service

JAN 13. 10:00 AM (CT)

Muskogee First Assembly of God  
3100 Gulick St  
Muskogee, OK 74403

# Tribute Wall



“ *Raymond G. Wise*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Tracy Reece Tusia lit a candle in memory of Raymond G. Wise*



**Tracy Reece Tusia** - January 18, 2017 at 11:02 AM



“ *Reposes en paix mon tonton Raymond. Je ne t'oublierai jamais. Je me réconforte en pensant à toi et à pépé, réunis au paradis. Vous veillez sur nous tous.*



**Virginie Luchesi** - January 13, 2017 at 03:37 PM

AG

“ We send our deepest condolences to the Wise Family! We have such fond memories of Ray. He was such an astonishing asset to the Muskogee community! He was a gentle spirit who taught our daughter at Muskogee High. He organized and accompanied us on a trip to France in 2001 and created endless memories for our family. Ray will be greatly missed. We send our love and are greatly saddened with his passing! We will keep you all in our prayers! Ann and Jim Grocholski & Family



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Ann Grocholski - January 13, 2017 at 03:13 PM

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Ann Grocholski - January 13, 2017 at 02:20 PM

MH

“ I will always be grateful to Ray Wise for his involvement with my 4 children related to swimming. Mr. Wise was in charge of the Country Club swimming pool in the summers. As long as he was there I was confident that children were well cared for and safe. They took swim lessons under his guidance. He was always friendly and kind. My daughter was on the swim team at MHS, where he was the coach. Again, he did a great job, was very professional. He was a great role model, very considerate and helpful to students and parents. I am thankful for his influence in the lives of my children and so many others. He will be greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers to his family.

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**Mary Hoopes** - January 13, 2017 at 02:02 PM

JT

“ I never had Mr. Wise in any classes but a few of my friends did. He was the sweetest most caring person, teacher and friend any of us could have asked for. We as students at that age where we knew it all were not always the nicest. But he never faltered in his caring attitude. RIP Mr. Wise. You will be missed!!

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**Jennifer Taylor** - January 13, 2017 at 12:40 PM

KY

“ I didn't know him well but anyone could see he was a prince and a gentle man. My condolences on your tremendous loss.

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**Kathy Yarberry** - January 13, 2017 at 12:23 PM

 Laura French

“ Mr. Wise was my french teacher in 87-88 at MHS. He was one of my favorite teachers, so sweet! Prayers for his family and friends!



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**Laura French** - January 12, 2017 at 11:15 PM

DS

“ *Mr. Wise was an inspiring and gifted educator. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*Dr. Virginia Schoats and Family*

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**Dr. Virginia Schoats** - January 12, 2017 at 05:45 PM

RP

“ *Richard Hughes, Oma Thomas, Diana Kennedy, Dana Parr purchased the Strength & So lace Spray for the family of Raymond G. Wise.*



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**Richard Hughes, Oma Thomas, Diana Kennedy, Dana Parr** -  
January 12, 2017 at 05:15 PM

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“ *Such an awesome human being... The best teacher you could ask for... From 1984-86, I sat in his French class at MHS... I was not the best student, but Mr. Wise knew it and encouraged me the entire time to give it my all and i have never forgotten that...*

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**Tony Loney (MHS Class of 1987)** - January 12, 2017 at 02:45 PM

RS

“ *Mr. Wise was my French teacher at MHS in 1981. He was one of the best teachers I ever had! Very caring, fun, and you could tell he enjoyed being a teacher! Later my daughter also had him at FTG and she enjoyed him as well! He always had the best smile and he showed kindness to everyone! He will be greatly missed!*

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**Rhonda Stills** - January 12, 2017 at 02:30 PM

LS

“ God Bless Mr Wise. He put up with so much from his students but always with charm and good humor. Recently I came across one of the few papers I saved from high school. Being the terrible student that I was, Mr Wise had written in red ink on my test paper something to the effect of a warning for me to try to do better or he will string me up by my toes on the flagpole at high noon. He really was a ray of sunshine. My condolences to his family.

*Laura Baker Stanton*

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**laura stanton** - January 12, 2017 at 02:24 PM

VF

“ I cannot find the words to express all that I feel about this angel in whom God allowed to cross paths with my life in those formative years & as an adult married with our own children who he also was able to know. I pray as the heavens are in reconciliation let us all on earth celebrate the life we had & were blessed to know with this extraordinary man, teacher, coach, friend, mentor, father, grandfather, husband, son..  
To the family may you all find peace & God speed restoration.  
Sending our love & prayers.

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**Vicky Potts Denton & family** - January 12, 2017 at 12:12 AM

LC

“ 1985-87 MHS Swim & Dive team! Always a caring man, supportive & best coach! Sported the Speedo at the end of each season!

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**Lenee Carroll** - January 11, 2017 at 09:38 PM



“ *He was an amazing coach and a great French teacher. I always admired him.*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

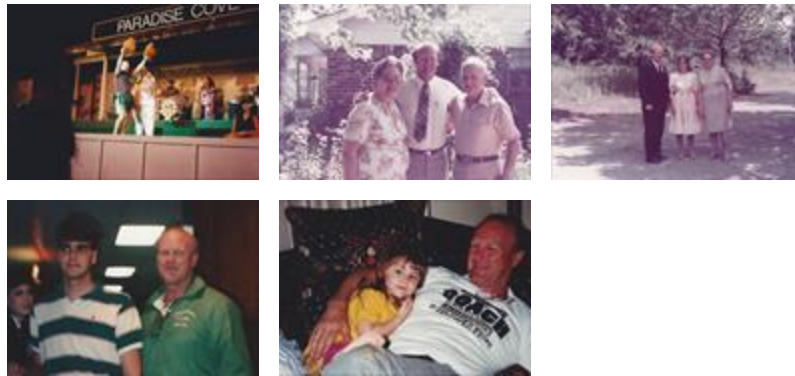
*Anna (Perryman) Fluckey*

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**Anna Fluckey** - January 11, 2017 at 09:23 PM

MI

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**Mike** - January 11, 2017 at 08:33 PM

LD

“ *Au revoir, Msr. Wise! Merci boucoup for devoting your life to teaching us. You were always so sweet, kind and funny.*

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**LeeAnn Dreadfulwater** - January 11, 2017 at 07:19 PM

LH

“ *I had coach Wise for cross country running. I remember once I didn't really try very hard at practice so he had me (and one other) running behind his truck afterwards! And we were all laughing the whole time! He was great. Loved him.*


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**Liz Helmersen** - January 11, 2017 at 05:04 PM

SB

“ *Au revoir monsieur. I remember your wonderful French class (complete with cooking recipes in French for Christmas parties), summers at the pool, your kindness in picking up friends at the Tulsa airport for my wedding, and your presence at our Father's funeral. Merci et RIP (how do you say that in French) à mon professeur et ami de longue vie! Thank you and rest in peace to my teacher and life long friend! MHS '78*

Sally Stolper Bybee - January 11, 2017 at 11:55 AM

 Sean  
Foley

“ *I had Coach Wise in French and track. I was terrible at track and French. I hope I say this right, but he told us that the French say Americans speak French like a Spanish cow. Lol, he was one of my favorite teachers. He was very kind and funny. Rest in peace Coach.*

Sean Foley - January 11, 2017 at 11:34 AM

JM

“ *He was always so nice when he came into Tom Yadon's office. We always enjoyed helping him. Marie and Larry Wise were a joy to know. Mr Wise helped at Ft Gibson school while Grandchildren were swimming. He was always available if we needed anything. It was a delight to see his smile. Jan McKinne*

JAN MCKINNE - January 11, 2017 at 11:13 AM



*I first met Ray in 1960 when I was a student at Muskogee Central and he was a student at Northeastern. I already knew the adorable Pat Hughes and always felt that they were perfect for each other. Pat, your family and you are in my thoughts and prayers. This great guy will be missed greatly by many of us.*

Mikie Huff - January 12, 2017 at 04:26 AM



“ Love you always Mr. Wise. Your beauty came from within bursting through with that magnificent smile. My favorite teacher (MHS 80-83) and lifelong friend. Rest in peace.

Gina McFadden - January 11, 2017 at 09:38 AM



“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Raymond G. Wise.



January 10, 2017 at 08:03 PM



“ He is my most favorite person from Muskogee. He was my swim coach, and friend. In 1989, he took the swim team to Six Flags while there he came into mine and Megan's room asking for hair spray. We began laughing and Megan gave him a can of hers. He stood in our mirror doing his "hair" and spraying hair spray everywhere. I have pictures to this day. He was always happy, even when he was mad, he was happy. Thank you Mr. Wise for the memories, and the swim lessons that I teach my own kids today. You were a true blessing to my life. Much Love to your family,

Audra (Carroll) Matthews.

Audra Matthews - January 10, 2017 at 06:20 PM



What a special man and example for us all of God's best in humanity. Prayers for his lovely family. We will miss his shining light.

Linda and Gary Sizemore - January 12, 2017 at 08:01 AM

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*Truly a man to be admired! I never saw him without a smile and a kind word. The world needs more men like Ray Wise. Sending prayers for his family. 🙏*

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**Nancy Turlington (Beck)** - January 12, 2017 at 09:16 AM

SF

*I so enjoyed Mr Wise during my time teaching at Ft Gibson Public Schools. He was kind, helpful, very caring with students, faculty and staff. He leaves a legacy to his family, former students, colleagues, and many friends. May his family find peace and comfort in the Lord these days and many days to come.*

*Shirley Flaska*

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**shirley flaska** - January 13, 2017 at 07:44 AM

PR

*We knew Ray and Pat from years back. Neighbors in San Bernardino, CA. Absolutely had so many good times with them and about four other young couples in our neighborhood. I send my love, prayers and sympathy to the Wise family. Where do the years go? Love, (Patsy Lill) .....now Patty Ratto. God be with you and help you ease your pain.*

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**Patty Ratto** - January 31, 2017 at 12:41 PM