



Robert Eugene Smith

December 14, 1948 - March 1, 2020

Robert Eugene Smith, 71, lifetime resident of Muskogee, Oklahoma entered his Heavenly home on Sunday, March 1, 2020. He was born December 14, 1948 in Muskogee, Oklahoma to Robert and Elsie (Byfield) Smith. Eugene attended Muskogee Public Schools and graduated from Muskogee High School with the class of 1967.

He married the love of his life and best friend, Beverly Ann Phillips on August 19, 1967 in Muskogee, Oklahoma. They shared more than 52 years of life and marriage together.

Eugene worked for the Muskogee Daily Phoenix for more than 44 years. He was the composing supervisor when he retired in 2011.

He enjoyed bowling, golfing, and woodworking in his garage. He was a faithful member of Jubilee Christian Church.

Eugene will always be remembered for his love of singing, especially "Will The Circle Be Unbroken." He also loved spending time with his family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; Robert and Elsie Smith; sisters, Joyce Smith and Patricia Smith; father-in-law, Fred Phillips; and son-in-law, Randy Hall.

Eugene is survived by his wife, Beverly Smith, of the home; daughters, Kim Hall of Muskogee, Christie Young and husband Moonie of Haskell; son, Scott Smith and wife Jaclyn of Muskogee; mother-in-law, Doris Phillips of Muskogee; siblings, Carol Ford of Okay, Delilah Schreiner of Edmond, Bruce Smith of Edmond, Karen Hartness and Mark Foreman of Tulsa, Donald Smith and wife Karen of Wagoner, Nancy Frisby and husband Don of Muskogee, Angie Delmedico and husband Tommy of Ft. Gibson; grandchildren, Lane Young and wife Amanda, Tamara "Nikki" Young, Harlee Young, Haley Plant, Evan Smith, and Jaylee Smith; great-grandchildren, Natalie Young and Sofia Young; along with many other family members and friends who will greatly miss him.

Funeral services celebrating Eugene's life will be 2PM, Thursday, March 5, 2020 at Jubilee Christian Church with Pastor Jordan Howard officiating. Interment will follow at Three Rivers Cemetery in Okay with Lane Young, Orlin Phillips, Evan Smith, Nick Delmedico, Moonie Young, and Derrick Smith serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers will be Larry Howard, Ronald Hornback, Harvey Williams, and Donnie Foreman.

Cemetery Details

Three Rivers Cemetery

Okay, OK

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 4. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

MAR 5. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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1830 North York Street
Muskogee, OK 74403
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Service

MAR 5. 2:00 PM (CT)

Jubilee Christian Center
2710 S. Cherokee Dr
Muskogee, OK 74403

Tribute Wall



“ *Robert Eugene Smith*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Fellow employees enjoyed working with Eugene during my 18 years at the Phoenix. He always kept his cool even under deadline pressure.*

Larry Corvi

Larry Corvi - March 09, 2020 at 06:57 AM



“ *Beverly, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of Eugene. I remember shooting basketball hoops in Spaulding Park and running around in those younger years growing up in Muskogee. I am sorry for missing his service but was on a business trip in San Antonio on day of his service and heard that day through e-mail message form High School. SO sorry for your family's loss of Eugene and your recent loss of Bud and Eva. My heart goes out to you. If anything I can do please do not hesitate to contact me. Larry Haas*

Larry M. Haas - March 07, 2020 at 10:46 AM



“ *He was a good friend, Our prayers are with his family. billy foreman*

bill foreman - March 05, 2020 at 07:19 AM

JR

“ *Joanie (Burns) Reitnauer lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Smith*



Joanie (Burns) Reitnauer - March 05, 2020 at 04:14 AM

JR

“ *Beverley my prayers and love are with you and your family. May God keep his loving arms around you and your family to give you the strength, peace, comfort and love you need during this time of sorrow. God bless all of you.*



Joanie (Burns) Reitnauer - March 05, 2020 at 04:12 AM

BD

“ *Praying for Comfort and Peace for your family. Eugene will be forever missed and loved forever in our heart 🙏❤️*

Becky Davis - March 05, 2020 at 01:21 AM

BD

“ *Becky Davis lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Smith*



Becky Davis - March 05, 2020 at 01:13 AM

BD

“ *Becky Davis sent a virtual gift in memory of Robert Eugene Smith*



Becky Davis - March 05, 2020 at 01:11 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Robert Eugene Smith.*



March 04, 2020 at 05:50 PM

DO

“ *Diane And Andy O`HAVER lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Smith*



Diane and Andy O`HAVER - March 04, 2020 at 05:30 PM

DR

“ *Darla Page Ryan lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Smith*



Darla Page Ryan - March 04, 2020 at 02:29 PM

DR

“ Beverly, you and the family are in my heart ❤️, prayers 🙏 and mind. Remembering Eugene as the wonderful and gentle soul, that he was, will forever remain in your hearts. May he rest in peace!

Darla Ryan - March 04, 2020 at 02:28 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Robert Eugene Smith.



March 04, 2020 at 01:41 PM



“ 76 files added to the album Life Tributes



Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - March 03, 2020 at 01:41 PM

PW

“ *Paula White lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene Smith*



Paula White - March 03, 2020 at 01:38 PM