



# Frans Eugene Makela

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**G**ene Makela was born December 13, 1937. He passed peacefully from this life between tee times on May 27, 2018. Gene enjoyed life and a good game of anything from horseshoes to chess. He swam, boxed, and played football in his youth and served his country in the Coast Guard. He married his high school sweetheart and the love of his life, Emily Kaphammer Makela who preceded him in death. Throughout his life he hunted and fished, played tennis, bowled, played and coached softball, regularly beat his grandkids at chess, and played golf—lots of golf. Gene was well read and could literally fix anything. If ever help was needed, Gene was available with willing arms, a strong back and an idea about a better way of doing whatever needed doing. Gene was predeceased by his daughter, Kathy Makela Beeman and is survived by children Ann Makela Schneider (husband Kelly), Matt Makela (wife Michelle) grandchildren Meredith and Alex Schneider, Ryan and Emily Beeman, and Hannah, Jason, Addison, and Elizabeth Makela numerous nieces and nephews and others he counted as family. Services Thursday May 31 at 1pm at the Stronghold, 619 E 10th Street, Sand Springs, OK



## Tribute Wall

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**Kathy Knight** posted:

So sorry to read about Gene's passing. Although I have not seen him in years, I have fond memories of being on a bowling team with Gene and Emily in the 70's. I worked at Sooner Federal with Emily and Kathy worked there too while going to college. They were such a lovely family. So sorry for your loss. Kathy Knight

June 1 at 8:31 AM



**Dorothy Tomassi King** posted:

Sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you at this time.

May 30 at 1:53 PM



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