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RALPH THOMAS JONES, SR., 98, OF BROKEN ARROW, OKLAHOMA DIED SATURDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 10, 2018 AT THE HOME OF HIS DAUGHTER, SURROUNDED BY HIS FAMILY. RALPH WAS BORN NOVEMBER 26, 1919 IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS TO FLORENCE AND TOM JONES. HE GREW UP AND RAISED HIS FAMILY IN THE CHICAGO SUBURB OF OAK LAWN, ILLINOIS. IN 1987 HE MOVED TO OKLAHOMA WITH HIS WIFE, VIRJEAN, ALSO DECEASED. HE IS A 70 YEAR MEMBER OF THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS, LOCAL 134. HE SPENT THREE AND A HALF YEARS IN WORLD WAR II AS A MILITARY POLICEMAN. HE WAS A LIBERATOR OF ITALY AND FRANCE BEFORE BOARDING A SHIP IN THE PACIFIC BOUND FOR JAPAN WHEN THE WAR ENDED. UPON RETIREMENT AND HIS MOVE TO OKLAHOMA, RALPH ENJOYED A ROBUST LIFE AT HIS HOME IN BROKEN ARROW. HE LOVED BRIDGE, PINOCHLE, TENNIS, GOLF, GARDENING, INVESTMENT DABBING, AND SPENDING TIME WITH HIS FAMILY. HE WAS INFLUENTIAL AND INSPIRING TO HIS CHILDREN, GRANDCHILDREN, AND GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN UNTIL THE DAY HE DIED. RALPH WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS PARENTS AND SIBLINGS, LAURETTA AND LEEROY THOMAS. RALPH IS SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTERS AND THEIR HUSBANDS, LYNN JONES AND JAMES MEDILL, JUDY AND PAUL HUTTER, KIM JONES AND PETER RENTON, AND BY HIS SON AND HIS WIFE, RALPH AND CHERYL JONES, HIS NINE GRANDCHILDREN AND THEIR SPOUSES, MATT AND CHRISTY HUTTER, EDDIE PIERCE, ANDY AND ALISSA HUTTER, JEANNE AND ANDY MACKENZIE, ASHLEY AND GERRY MOLIDOR, LAUREN AND ANDREW CONWAY, GARIN AND CAROLYN JONES, ALEX AND ELIZABETH JONES, AND EIGHTEEN GREAT GRAND CHILDREN, AS WELL AS NIECES AND NEPHEWS. IN LIEU OF FLOWERS, DONATIONS MAY BE MADE



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TO THE BROKEN ARROW SENIOR CENTER OR THE COFFEE BUNKER OF TULSA. Viewing will be held from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday, February 13, 2018 at Floral Haven Funeral Home. Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at the First United Methodist Church in Broken Arrow with Pastor Larry Varvel officiating. Pallbearers will be Matthew Hutter, Charles Pierce IV, Andrew Hutter, Jeanne Pierce Mackenzie, Garin Jones and Alex Jones. Honorary Pallbearers will be Lauren Hutter Conway, Ashley Jones Molidor and Kailynn Jones.



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MK

Marianne (Mckenna) Kennedy posted:

Lynn, Seeing all your family supporting one another yesterday was evidence of how well your father lived and raised his children to be strong successful giving adults. In reading his obituary, I noticed your aunt Lauretta had the same lovely and unusual name as a dear childhood friend of mine. I've only seen it these 2 times. Your many warm vivid memories of your dad will bring you comfort in the days to come. Heaven is as much brighter by his arrival as this world is emptier from the passing of a great man. I was honored to meet your three children; how accomplished and impressive they are. The friendship, thoughts and prayers of many are with you during this difficult time.

February 13 at 1:16 PM

JD

Jackie And Roger Dailey posted:

Ralph was such an interesting man and an inspiration to all. He had such pride in all he did and especially in his family. He was such an important part of our pinochle group and we will miss him. This quote seems so appropriate – "It takes a minute to find a special person, an hour to appreciate them, and a day to love them, but it takes an entire lifetime to forget them."

February 11 at 1:00 PM

TP

Teresa Pepple posted:

I first met Ralph and Jean when I moved to Tulsa 10 years ago. I always enjoyed playing pinochle and visiting with them. It was such a pleasure to know them. Ralph was an inspiration not only to his family but to his friends. I will miss him.

February 11 at 12:06 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Ralph by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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