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Billy James Ward, 84, of Tulsa went to be with the Lord Tuesday March 11, 2014. Billy was born July 9, 1929 in Adair County, Oklahoma to James and Clara Ward. He moved to Tulsa at a young age where he resided the rest of his life. Billy was a graduate of Will Rogers High School. After graduating he joined the military and served in the Korean War. Billy served in the Army National Guard and ultimately retired with the U.S. Army Reserve as a Lieutenant Colonel. Billy married Tava Jo Butler in 1954. Together they owned and operated Logan Smith Plumbing in Tulsa ; while raising their family. Billy is preceded in passing by his parents; wife Tava; brother Walton and sister Bettie. Billy is survived by son Billy James Ward Jr. and his wife Leslie; daughter Susan Faye Whitley and her husband Tony; grandchildren Ray Dean Whitley, Jennifer Michelle Harris, Russell James Ward; great-grandchildren Ezekiel and Dayton. In Lieu of flowers donations can be made to Southside Rotary, Day Spring Villa, Brookside Baptist Church of Tulsa or Rejoice Baptist Church of Owasso.



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LF

Laura Fadem posted:

You didn't have to know Billy for very long to know that he loved his family, friends and country. He was so proud of the accomplishments of his kids. He talked about them a lot. And I'm sure he is happy to be joined again with his lovely wife who he cherished. We will miss you Billy.

March 17 at 6:40 AM

MF

Marcia Freeman posted:

Billy was an amazing Rotarian and a good friend. He will truly be missed!

March 17 at 4:57 AM

SK

Sherry Kovnas posted:

I was blessed to get to know Billy and his family in his last few weeks. It will leave good remembrances and I am glad I was able to help a little.

March 13 at 5:09 PM

LR

Larry & Lana Hurt)Patriot Guard Riders) posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Billy James Ward

March 13 at 3:33 PM

JB

John Benjamin posted:

Billy was a fellow Rotarian, outstanding plumber and dedicated volunteer in serving his community and Rotary International programs. I always called him "General Ward" at Rotary which brought on a huge smile. All of his extended "family" at Southside Rotary Club will dearly miss him! God bless you Billy! Rest in peace my friend!

March 13 at 11:52 AM

EM

Erma Lee McMinn posted:

He was a good neighbor as well as a good friend. He had a giving spirit and shared the fruits of his labor in his garden with many of us. I hope in heaven they serve brown beans because Bill was very definite he did not like white beans! Precious memories.

March 13 at 6:54 AM



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Tracy Ashworth posted:

So sorry to hear about Billy. He will be greatly missed by Southside Rotary. He lived with such passion.

March 13 at 5:37 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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