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Sherman F. Gray, 83, of Bixby, died Friday, November 22, 2013. He was born on September 12, 1930 in Jones, Oklahoma, the son of Joseph and Mary Gray. He served in the United States Army during the Korean War from 1951-1953, attaining the rank of Private First Class. He was a truck driver in the military, delivering food to his fellow servicemen, in companies A, B, C, & D. He was a member of the 150th Gun Battalion Headquarters Battery. Throughout his life, Sherman enjoyed bowling, fishing, and hunting, yet he was best at being ornery. He was a funny man, known for his witty sense of humor. He always knew how to bring a smile to your face, whether by a silly song or a clever quip, he always knew how to make you laugh. He taught all of us to never take life too seriously. He was a people person. Children were especially drawn to him. The neighborhood kids liked to come over to his house and visit him on a regular basis. He liked to take daily walks and sit on his porch to oversee the “goings on” of the neighborhood. He loved sports, especially the St. Louis Cardinals. Sherman was a fan of old westerns and enjoyed watching Gunsmoke, when he wasn’t on “neighborhood watch”. On January 31, 1954, he married Charlene Carll, the love of his life. They enjoyed 59 wonderful years as husband and wife. He had worked as a machinist all of his career. Sherman is survived by his wife, Charlene, two daughters, Christi Neal, and her husband, Curtis, aka “Cletis”, and Gayln Zajic, and her husband, Andy, four granddaughters, Karen, Cathy, and her husband, Darrick, Sara, and Andrea, and her husband, Scott, seven great-grandchildren, Becca, Baileigh, Taylor, Jordan, Lucas, Nathan, and Weston, sister, Connie, and beloved pet cat, Vanilla, and numerous other family members and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Selma and Corky, and one brother, Gene. Memorial donations may be made in Sherman’s name to Christ United Methodist Church, 3515 S. Harvard Avenue, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74135.



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CA

Carlie posted:

Thoughts and prayers from extended family in Florida, our hearts go out to you all in this time of loss and keeping good memories of his long life will hopefully bring peace and calmness. Josh and Carlie Smith (extended Carll Family)

November 27 at 8:06 AM

DH

Denise Haynes posted:

Remembering sweet memories of Sherman. Bill and I are so glad we had a walking partner in the neighborhood and I am sure Jack will miss him too. We love you Charlene but God loves you so much more and He will comfort you and give you the strength you need to carry on. Hold on to all the good times and that will put a smile on your face. We are just around the corner.....Love and prayers to the family. Bill and Denise Haynes

November 26 at 2:48 PM

LM

Lisa Madalone posted:

Such wonderful memories of Morgan just walking in Sherman and Charlene's house and making herself at home. We got the liberty to stop by and visit them a month ago and Sherman was joking about Morgan's footprints being imprinted on their fireplace from all the times Morgan stood there and read them stories, practiced play lines, sang, etc. Sherman, you will definitely be missed my friend. You and Charlene were like grandparents to Morgan.

November 26 at 9:34 AM

JL

Jennifer Lightle posted:

Thoughts and Prayers are with our Across the street neighbors for all those years! .Love and prayers to the family. Jennifer (Edwards) Lightle and Travis Lightle

November 26 at 5:44 AM

BR

Billye Reich posted:

What a wonderful family where love abounds! Love to you and your family Gayln Billye

November 26 at 3:18 AM



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Stephanie posted:

Such a wonderful video—thanks for sharing. God bless you all at this most difficult time.
Stephanie and Steve (friends of Christi and Curtis)

November 25 at 12:33 PM



Shirley Wells posted:

Charlene, may God wrap you in His everlasting arms and give you peace, comfort and strength at this sad time. God loves you and so do we. . Shirley & Gene Wells

November 25 at 6:17 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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