



Billy Bert Barnes

October 15, 1935 - April 7, 2019

Billy "Bill" Bert Barnes was born in Lindsay, Oklahoma on October 15, 1935 to Allen and Rossie Barnes. He was called home on April 7, 2019 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, at the age of 83.

He graduated from Lindsay High School in 1953. While working for H.C. Pipeline across the country during the summers, he met and later married Floy Carleen Barnes on September 7, 1956. They had 47 wonderful years together until her passing in March of 2004.

He served in the Army from 1958-60 with spending time in Korea. He took his oath to the country very seriously and served in the Lindsay American Legion Post #23 up until his passing.

He attended Murray State College and graduated from Oklahoma A & M College (O.S.U) with a degree in mathematics in 1958. He later completed his Master's degree and then pursued his Doctorate at the University of Oklahoma. Bill has served as a deacon in the First Baptist Church of Chickasha and Lindsay.

He and Carleen moved to Chickasha when Bill started working for the United States Department of Agriculture in 1961 as a computer programmer. They had 2 children Jenny Melissa Barnes Somerhalder & husband Doug, Oklahoma City, and Jon Blake Barnes and wife Becca of Ardmore. They have 4 grandchildren, Lexi and Brock Somerhalder, Blake and Morgan Barnes.

In 1975 they moved to Lindsay, where Bill continued working for the U.S.D.A until he retired in 2004.

Bill married Mary Hardin on April 15, 2006 and they enjoyed traveling, participating in many First Baptist Church activities, as well as spending time with family and friends. Bill adored all his family and was blessed with adding Mary's family as his own; three daughters: Joyce Gabbard of Denver, Colorado, Jan Bray and husband Rick of Lindsay, Judith Wells of Lindsay, grandchildren: Brad Gabbard and wife Rachelle, and Ben Gabbard, both of Denver, Colorado, Jeff Bray and wife Brianne, Lindsay, Jennifer Wilson and husband Ronald of Yukon, Justin Bray and wife Kristi of Lindsay, Russell Wells & wife Mindy of Lindsay, and many great grandchildren.

Left to cherish his memory is, his wife Mary Barnes, his children, Jenny Melissa Barnes Somerhalder & husband Doug, Oklahoma City, and Jon Blake Barnes and wife Becca of Ardmore, Joyce Gabbard of Denver, Colorado, Jan Bray and husband Rick of Lindsay, Judith Wells of Lindsay, his grandchildren: Lexi and Brock Somerhalder, Blake and Morgan Barnes, Brad Gabbard and wife Rachelle, and Ben Gabbard, both of Denver, Colorado, Jeff Bray and wife Brianne, Lindsay, Jennifer Wilson and husband Ronald of Yukon, Justin Bray and wife Kristi of Lindsay, Russell Wells & wife Mindy of Lindsay, and many great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife Carleen, his parents Allen and Rossie Barnes, his sister Geraldine and brother Gary.

A Funeral Service to honor the life of Bill is set to begin at 2:00 P.M. on Friday, April 12, 2019 at the First Baptist Church in Lindsay, Oklahoma with Randy Allen officiating. He will be laid to rest following the service at the Green Hill Cemetery in Lindsay, Oklahoma.

Services are under the direction of Scott and Angel Wilbourn of Boydston-Wilbourn Funeral Home in Lindsay, Oklahoma. Condolences may be made to the family online at www.boydstonfuneralhome.com

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“ *Jon Thoughts and prayers from all of our family. Corey Cooper*

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