



Calvin Curtis Adams

September 24, 1923 - December 25, 2018

Calvin Curtis Adams, of 95 years, went to be the Lord on December 25, 2018 at 6:20 in the evening. He was born on September 24, 1923, in Lindsay, Oklahoma, to the late Edgar Fredrick Adams and Emma Rachel (Carroll) Adams. He attended and graduated from Lindsay High School in 1941. Calvin served in the U.S. Army during WWII, and was stationed at Camp Hood, Texas. He attained the rank of sergeant. On December 17, 1943, he was united in marriage to his beloved wife Edith Mae Trout in Pauls Valley, Oklahoma, while on a three-day pass.

After an Honorable Discharge Calvin went to college at Oklahoma State A&M in Stillwater, Oklahoma where he worked as a mechanic for 40 cents an hour. During that time Calvin and Edith had a daughter, Doris Jean. He graduated from college in 1948 with a degree in agriculture. In July of 1948, Calvin and Edith moved to Alex, Oklahoma where Calvin became the new Vocational Agriculture Teacher. He once was interviewed on the Farm Show, which aired on channel 4. Afterwards he said he was shaking so bad he could hardly speak. He continued teaching in Alex for ten years. During those ten years, Calvin and Edith had another daughter born to them, Betty Ann.

In November of 1958, Calvin accepted a job with Farmers Home Administration. This career change led him and his family to many places around the state of Oklahoma; Ardmore, Durant, Cheyenne, Sallisaw, and Chickasha. Calvin always wanted to help the community in which he lived. He put in many hours "off the clock" to help farmers with their problems. Many

times he served on water boards that eventually provided a constant and quality source of water. He also was a member of the Kiwanis Club, and Lions Club. During his career he received many awards and was always known to be a man of integrity.

After 25 years, Calvin retired from Farmers Home Administration in 1983. He and Edith moved back to Lindsay to help take care of Edith's elderly parents. He always showed them the same respect he had for his own parents.

Calvin was added to the Lord's church when Curtis Camp baptized him in 1939. During his lifetime he served as a bible class teacher, deacon, and elder. HE was dedicated to the Lord. Calvin loved to sing and lead singing at worship services. Some fond memories of our family are when we would gather around with songbooks singing praised to the Lord.

Calvin was a servant. He never wanted praise or glory for what he did for others. He would quietly go his way and do what he could. One time that always stands out in our minds was when we lived in Ardmore. We were downtown one night when a poor man came up to our car window and asked daddy for some money because he was hungry. Daddy took the man in a café and ordered him some food.

In the world's eyes he probably would not be seen as a success, but in his family's eyes he was a great man, wise and dependable. He knew what was important in life. He knew he was not a perfect man, but strived to be Christ-like. He was humble, and not a vain person. He always said, "It doesn't matter what kind of clothes you wear as long as they are clean and modest."

He was consistent, a rock. He loved his family and was a good provider. He was the family's spiritual leader. One thing he insisted on was that the family be together at the dinner table. He had friends that would comment "Calvin is the most positive person I have ever met." In this day and age, when the world leans towards being tolerant of everything, Calvin stayed consistent he believed there was absolutes in life. Calvin was a very giving person. He was not afraid of hard work. One word of advice he gave to his granddaughter when she started dating was to be sure and look at the boy's hands to see if

he is afraid of work.

Calvin had a great sense of humor and loved to tell jokes, even if sometimes they were on the corny side, which brings to mind “The Pea Row Joke”? He never stayed idle. As he grew feeble, he was still coming up with ‘his own inventions’ for whatever the need was. He liked to garden, bowl, fish, go camping, play dominoes, and wahoo, and in his young years was known to play a little golf. He enjoyed watching OSU and OU basketball and football games.

He was an example in everything that he did. He was a loving person to all. He was loved and will be greatly missed.

Most importantly, Calvin was a Christian. His belief in the word and that is what made him what he was, a Godly man.

Calvin is survived by his daughter, Doris J. Schmidt; his daughter and her husband, Betty and Bruce Hall; five grandchildren, Michelle King, Scott Schmidt, Rae Lyn Henson and her husband Clay; Angie Sides and her husband Don (Buster); and seven great grandchildren, Kylie, Jamie, John Nicholas, Taylor, Kale, Ava, and Elise. He is further survived by his nieces, nephews, and friends.

In addition to his parents, Calvin was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 72 years, Edith Mae Adams, three brothers; Roy Casal Riddle, Edgar William Adams, and Virgil Lee Adams, one sister, Thelma June (Adams) Childress, a grandson, Tony L. Hall, his mother-in-law and father-in-law, Clarence and Idalia Trout, and a brother-in-law, Herbert Trout.

Funeral Services for Mr. Adams will be held at Boydston-Wilbourn Funeral Home at 2:00 P.M. on Friday, December 28, 2018. He will be laid to rest following the service at Green Hill Cemetery, with no graveside service.

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

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