



## Tommy Gray

January 16, 1935 - October 19, 2014

Tommy Gray was born on January 16, 1935 in Payne, Oklahoma to John Thomas Gray and Irna Belle (Hutcheson) Gray. He served his country as a member of the U. S. Army with a rank of Master Sergeant, serving as an M. P. stationed at Ft. Chaffee, Arkansas, near Ft. Smith. There, he met the love of his life, Lou Autry, where she worked as a waitress in her parents café. Tommy would say that there was something special about Lou. She was someone he wanted to meet. Tommy and Lou were married on August 9, 1962, in Poteau, Oklahoma. They made their home in Lindsay, Oklahoma with their daughter, Cheryl.

Tommy was a farmer and rancher as well as an auto parts dealer. He was interested in the auto parts business during and after high school and was a part owner in Trend Auto Supply in Lindsay for 38 years. He attended Calvary Baptist Church, was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Lindsay and served as an REC Board member. When he had spare time, he loved CB radios, fishing and watching westerns on TV, especially movies starring John Wayne. At the age of 79, Tommy passed from this life at home early Sunday morning, October 19, 2014, just ten days after the passing of his beloved wife, Lou. They are now reunited in Heaven.

Tommy will be greatly missed by his family and friends and all who loved him. He is survived by his daughter, Cheryl and Ray of Norman, Oklahoma, one

granddaughter, Juliana of Norman, Oklahoma, one brother-in-law, Odell Herring of Lindsay, Oklahoma and loving niece, Rita Herring and nephews, Tom, Don and Jim Misel. He was preceded in death by his wife, Lou Gray, his parents and two sisters, Mary Misel and Juanita Herring.

The family wishes to express heartfelt thanks to Loving Care Home Health and Hospice Services and to the many good friends and family who called and visited.

Funeral services for Mr. Gray are set for two o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, October 22, 2014 at Calvary Baptist Church, located at 410 W. Chickasaw in Lindsay, Oklahoma with Pastor Matt Celoria officiating. Interment will follow at Green Hill Cemetery in Lindsay, Oklahoma with military honors by the American Legion Ball-Smith Post 23. Services are under the direction of B. G. Boydston Funeral Home of Lindsay, Oklahoma. Condolences may be made to the family online at [www.boydstonfuneralhome.com](http://www.boydstonfuneralhome.com).

# Tribute Wall

JH

“ Sending thoughts and prayers to the family. I went to Liberty Hill and remember Tommy as a good friend of my brother, Earl Thomas, they were near in age. Sorry for your loss.<br>

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**Joyce Thomas Hancock** - October 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Went to school with at Liberty Hill School 'and his sister Mary and Juanita Thy were so proud of their little brother We will miss him Sorry for your great loss .<br>

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**Leora England Cooper** - October 22, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ Cheryl, I Am So Very Sorry. Your Parents Were Two Special People To Me. I Used To Go Into Trend Auto When My Grandfather Worked There With Your Dad. Then I Was Blessed To Work With Your Mom At Williamson's Dept. Store When I Was In High School. So Many Memories Of Both. My Prayers Are With You During This Time.  
Terry

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**Terry Gordon** - October 22, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ I have lots of fond memories of Tommy working for him at Trend Auto for 3 years. Always carrying around that coffee cup and pulling little pranks on co-workers.He was one great man to work for. Sorry to hear about the loss.

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**Richard Horton** - October 22, 2014 at 12:00 AM

WC

“ So Sorry to hear about Tommy. We remember when he had the part store.

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**Wanda Castoe** - October 21, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ Cheryl, so sorry to hear about Tommy. Our family will pray for your losses.

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**Steve Lauderdale** - October 21, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LJ

“ I have a lot of wonderful memories shopping for auto parts a Trend Auto. Tommy helped a lot of people within the time of need. The world changed when Tommy Sold his Auto parts Store and the City of Lindsay has lost two wonderful people.<br>

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**Leonard Janousek** - October 21, 2014 at 12:00 AM