



Urel Lacy

September 14, 1918 - June 17, 2002

Urel Wayne Lacy was born September 14, 1918 in Lindsay, Oklahoma. He departed from his life June 17, 2002 in Oklahoma City. Urel grew up in Lindsay, Oklahoma and graduated from Lindsay High School in 1936. He attended Central State Teachers College (now UCO) and graduated in 1940. He received his masters in education at the University of Oklahoma in 1957. Urel married Vivian Ruth Freeman on May 20, 1939 and they shared 63 wonderful years together. Urel was a member of the Lindsay United Methodist Church for 47 years and was a member of the choir for 34 years. He was the self-appointed church greeter and wanted to make sure that everyone felt welcome when they came to church. He transferred his membership to New Hope United Methodist Church when he and Vivian moved to Oklahoma City in 2001. Urel loved teaching, especially American History, which was his first love. He first taught at the Hughes Consolidated School district in Lindsay, Oklahoma. He and Vivian then moved to Erick, Oklahoma in 1945, where he served as principal for 3 years, and later as superintendent. They moved back home to Lindsay in 1953. Urel taught American History at Lindsay High School until 1964, when he became high school counselor. He retired from teaching in 1976. In addition to teaching, Urel also farmed in Lindsay. Urel loved to travel and did a lot of traveling after his retirement. He loved to watch birds and always made sure there was plenty of bird food outside in his bird feeders. He also enjoyed photography, making videotapes and woodworking. Urel was a people person and loved meeting and talking to people. He made

friends everywhere he went. One of his favorite activities in Lindsay was going to Wal-Mart every day and visiting with all of his friends. Urel was a devoted husband and father, was loved by many and will be deeply missed. Urel was preceded in death by his parents, Clarence and Sarah Lacy and his four brothers, Everett, Herschel, Isaac and Lester. He is survived by his loving wife, Vivian Lacy; his son and daughter-in-law, Forrest and Loretta Lacy and their two sons, Justin and Travis Lacy, along with many loving nieces and nephews, and a host of very special friends. Funeral services will be held Friday, June 21 at 10:30 a.m. at the Lindsay United Methodist Church, with burial to follow at Green Hill Cemetery in Lindsay. Pallbearers are Dr. Jim Robberson, Tom Herrin, Darrell Richardson, Freddie Anderson, Chris Apel, and Jon Herd. Honorary pallbearers are Hoben Rogers, Tenys Parr, Joe Kennedy, Paul Sterr, Ralph Thomas, Don McCartor, Jim Crawford, Joe Howell, Bill Harrison, and James Harrison.

Memorials may be viewed online at www.boydstonfuneralhome.com
Arrangements are with B. G. Boydston Funeral Home, Lindsay, OK.

Tribute Wall

GF

“ as a boy a spent many summers in linsay visiting my grandmother(JOSEPHINE FAULK)and

i remember mr. lacy

at church and the kind things he would always say of my

dad,they were best friends and often stayed at my

grandmothers house,when

school was in.(his home was not within walking distance of school i believe. i'am sorry of his passing,he was a kind man,i'll always

remember,glennn faulk

glenn faulk - July 18, 2002 at 01:00 PM

LT

“ So sorry to hear of Mr. Lacy's death. He was the best American History teacher, and my love goes to his family.

Louanne Ward Trueblood - July 12, 2002 at 01:00 PM

RM

“ Mr. Lacy was one of the best influences on my life at LHS. He helped instill an appreciation of history that has lasted all of my adult life. His presence will be certainly missed as the Official greeter of the Methodist Church. My deepest sympathies go out to the family.

Ross Murphy - July 12, 2002 at 01:00 PM

LS

“ It was sad to learn about Urel's passing. My sympathy goes out to the entire Lacy family and Urel's many friends. Urel was one of my favorite teachers. American History was one of my favorite classes all because of Urel's great talents and devotion to his students. He was the kind of teacher I wish my own children could have had. He will be missed by all that knew him.

Lanny Smith - June 27, 2002 at 01:00 PM

CL

“ Urel and Vivian are our favorite couple. We have many happy memories of them together. Urel was my most special uncle, one of the smartest men I ever knew, certainly the smartest people person I ever knew. We will always miss him, but his memory lives on in our thoughts.

Claud & Patti Sandberg Lacy - June 22, 2002 at 01:00 PM

SS

“ We just wanted to express our heartfelt love to you and your family in the loss of Mr. Lacy. I know that you will miss his bright smile and loving encouragement. He was always there when someone had a need. But our hope is this, Behold, I tell you a mystery; we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. I Cor. 15:51-52

Steve and Gay Lynne Sharp - June 21, 2002 at 01:00 PM

MO

“ My family and I are saddened of Mr. Lacy's passing. He was more than just a history teacher to me. Vivian and Urel are the sweetest people I have ever met and are always in my heart. I will never forget them. May God Bless.

MaLea Oldham - June 20, 2002 at 01:00 PM

DS

“ Our deepest sympathy to the family of Urel Lacy.

Dorothy and Clyde Sharp - June 20, 2002 at 01:00 PM

JG

“ To Vivian, Forrest and Family: My wife (Susan Barry Gill) and I convey our sympathy to your family. Urel, was a special person to all knew him, and certainly, he was to me. He was a master teacher who could make history come alive, and he always encouraged and enjoyed lively discussion. He was one of my favorite and best teachers, K through graduate school. He rekindled my love for history, and I thought of him often as I worked on my B A, M A and PhD degrees in history. I also remember his wise counsel to me and others in his role as Student Council Advisor. Urel had a wonderful sense of humor, cared about his students and friends and truly loved life. He was a mentor and model for me, and he will be missed by me and all the students whose lives were touched and enriched by Urel. We thank God for sharing Urel with us!

Jerry Gill - June 20, 2002 at 01:00 PM

SR

“ I was saddened to learn of Mr. Lacy's passing. He was a memory of more simple times. My condolences to the family he loved and who loved him.

Sandra Carey Raycraft - June 20, 2002 at 01:00 PM

RL

“ Urel was my Friend and brother in Christ. I'm saddened that I'm in the military in Germany. Urel is in the loving arms of his savior, Jesus Christ.

Rev. George M. Lupton - June 19, 2002 at 01:00 PM