



## Raymond D. Miller M.D.

July 18, 1922 - November 27, 2020

Raymond Delbert (R.D.) Niles Miller, M.D., departed this life on November 27, 2020 after a brief illness. Ray was born on July 18, 1922 to R.D. and Nono Niles Miller in Hollis, OK. Ray was the eldest of three sons. He graduated from Hollis High School and attended three years of college at the University of Oklahoma. He was admitted to OU School of Medicine as a member of the US Army and graduated in 1946. He completed his residency at the VA Medical Center in Indianapolis, IN. He continued his military service in the US Air Force Reserve and retired as a Lieutenant Colonel.

He was first employed as a physician at the VA Medical Center in Muskogee, OK. While a staff physician at the VA, he met the love of his life, Patricia Burgess. They were married on December 6, 1952 and added two daughters to the family. Together Pat and Ray celebrated 65 years of marriage.

In July 1953, Dr. Fred Watson was recruiting physicians to Okmulgee and Dr. Miller moved to Okmulgee to practice medicine and stayed the remainder of his life. Upon moving to Okmulgee, he and Pat joined the First Methodist Church and became active members of the Harmony Class.

Dr. Miller became an integral part of the Okmulgee medical community, first at the old Okmulgee Hospital and then at OMH Medical Center where he served as Chief of Staff several times. He served on the admissions board of the OU School of Medicine for a few years. For over sixty years he was the Medical Director of the Okmulgee County Health Department. Dr. Miller had a private medical practice for over forty years delivering hundreds of babies, making house calls and touching many lives. He also served as Medical Director for several nursing homes in the community. Upon retiring in 1994, Dr. Miller continued to see patients at OMH Outpatient Clinic. This allowed him to enjoy more free time. He kept his medical license until 5 years ago, at that time completely retiring from medicine.

Dr. Miller was an avid OU football fan and had season tickets for years. During retirement, he enjoyed being a grandfather (Poppy) to Eddie and Ray, taking his daily walks, reading, fishing, traveling with family and especially Colorado. He loved word puzzles and could answer a Wheel of Fortune puzzle with only a couple of letters and rarely missed a broadcast of Lawrence Welk.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife Pat, and brother Dr. Jene Miller. He is survived by daughters Martha (Dan) Blevins of Tulsa, Beth (Ed) Martin of Midwest City and grandsons, Eddie Martin of Tulsa and Ray Martin of Tulsa.

Friends may visit and McClendon-Winters Funeral Home on Monday December 7 from noon-8pm for a Time of Remembrance. A private committal service will be held for the immediate family. When the risk of COVID has subsided, a Memorial Service will be held to celebrate his life.

Donations may be made to First United Methodist Church in Okmulgee, VFW or OETA. Arrangements have been entrusted to the McClendon-Winters Funeral Home of Okmulgee. Memories, condolences, photos and videos may be shared with the family on Dr. Miller 's Tribute Page of our website at [www.mcclendon-winters.com](http://www.mcclendon-winters.com)

# Cemetery

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## Okmulgee Cemetery

2601 South Wood Drive  
Okmulgee, OK, 74447

# Events

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**DEC** **Time of Remembrance** 12:00PM - 08:00PM

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McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - Okmulgee  
303 E. 7th Street, Okmulgee, OK, US, 74447

# Comments

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“ A tribute video has been added.



**McClendon-Winters Funeral Home** - December 04, 2020 at 07:40 PM



“ So sorry to hear about your your fathers death, Martha and Beth. I'm a little behind the times.

**Lisa** - January 13 at 01:45 AM

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“ Dr Miller was my Dr. when I decided to go through nursing school. I was told I needed a physical. Dr Miller did the physical and never charged me. He said he wanted to encourage me to pursue that career. Three years after I graduated as an RN, I had the privilege of working with him for 11 years. He was a great man and a great doctor. He will be missed.

**Darlene (Fuller) Taylor** - December 07, 2020 at 05:06 PM

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“ He was a good man and a good doctor very professional will miss him



**Ernest ledbetter** - December 06, 2020 at 02:37 PM

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“ Martha and Dan,

My deepest condolences to you and your family. My heart is especially tender for you as I lost my dad this year as well.

I have thought about you a lot this week and remembered the stories you shared with me over the years. Especially the stories of your family's yearly trips to Colorado. Lots of fun times and wonderful memories to hold tight. I hope the memories will bring you peace and comfort.

I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers.

Deepest sympathy,

Beverly

**Beverly Clark** - December 04, 2020 at 11:07 PM

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“ 85 files added to the album LifeTributes



**McClendon-Winters Funeral Home** - December 04, 2020 at 07:40 PM

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“ Samantha Norton lit a candle in memory of Raymond D. Miller M.D.



**Samantha Norton** - December 04, 2020 at 02:45 PM

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“ Dr. Miller was one of Okmulgee finest Doctors. My condolences to the family.



**Jenny Bridgman** - December 04, 2020 at 02:19 PM

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“ Jill Keck lit a candle in memory of Raymond D. Miller M.D.



**Jill Keck** - December 04, 2020 at 01:53 PM

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“ Dr. Miller was a great physician. Many times he would call me about the death of a patient. Okmulgee was so blessed with wonderful physician s like Tom. Rest in pease my friend. My sympathy to the girls.

**Jimmy McClendon** - December 04, 2020 at 01:46 PM

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“ Dr. Miller was one of finest physicians and true gentleman that I every had the opportunity to work along side of. The Okmulgee community was truly blessed to have had him care for them those many years.

**Larry F Patrick** - December 04, 2020 at 08:09 AM

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“ Gail Kelly lit a candle in memory of Raymond D. Miller M.D.



**Gail Kelly** - December 03, 2020 at 10:43 PM

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“ I am saddened to learn of the death of Dr. Miller! I worked with him during my time as Director of Social Services at Okmulgee Memorial Hospital and always admired him. He was respectful and caring and he and his family were great community supporters! My prayers are with his family and friends! Sincerely, Caryl Taylor

**Caryl Taylor** - December 03, 2020 at 05:01 PM

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“ Sending my deepest condolences to Martha and Beth.

**Robin E. Taylor** - December 03, 2020 at 12:28 PM

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“ I so sorry for your loss. I still miss him as my doctor.

**John Fidler** - December 03, 2020 at 08:35 AM

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“ A true gentleman.



**Kathy Machetta** - December 02, 2020 at 05:55 PM

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“ Dr Miller was a kind, gentle, honest man, and a friend indeed. Our family will always be grateful for his medical care over a period of three decades. Sincere sympathy to his family for their loss.



**Jeneane Campbell** - December 02, 2020 at 02:42 PM

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“ David Miller lit a candle in memory of Raymond D. Miller M.D.



**david miller** - December 01, 2020 at 02:42 PM

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“ Bryn Burns-Boatman lit a candle in memory of Raymond D. Miller M.D.



**Bryn Burns-Boatman** - December 01, 2020 at 02:17 PM

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“ Karla LaMunyon lit a candle in memory of Raymond D. Miller M.D.



**Karla LaMunyon** - December 01, 2020 at 11:20 AM

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“ Becky Arnold lit a candle in memory of Raymond D. Miller M.D.



**Becky Arnold** - December 01, 2020 at 09:53 AM

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“ Nancy Bond lit a candle in memory of Raymond D. Miller M.D.



**Nancy Bond** - December 01, 2020 at 08:42 AM

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“ Suzanne Wise lit a candle in memory of Raymond D. Miller M.D.



**Suzanne Wise** - December 01, 2020 at 08:24 AM

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“ Connie Reed lit a candle in memory of Raymond D. Miller M.D.



**Connie Reed** - November 30, 2020 at 09:27 PM

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“ Dr. Miller was a very respected doctor in our community. He was kind and professional.  
Our condolences and thinking and praying for the family.

The Goodwin Family  
Okmulgee, OK



**Phyllis Goodwin** - November 30, 2020 at 07:24 PM



“ We cannot express how much respect and love we feel for Dr. Miller. We know he is alive and well with Our Lord for his kindness and service. He is sorely missed.

Candy and Gary Barnard

**Candy Barnard** - December 01, 2020 at 12:55 PM



“ Dr Miller was a wonderful doctor and a gentle-man, always ready to help when needed. I will always appreciate his loving care, and his and Pat's friendship with my mother. Rest well, good doctor!

**Donna Boss-Martin** - December 02, 2020 at 07:13 PM



“ Dr. miller was a great man that will truly be missed. His family is in my thoughts and prayers.

**Darrin Schmidt** - December 02, 2020 at 09:54 PM