



## Edward Lee Swim

November 30, 1934 - February 17, 2012

Edward Lee Swim, a resident of Okmulgee, died Friday morning, February 17, 2012 at Highland Park Manor. He was 77 years of age. Ed was born November 30, 1934 in Tahlequah to Louie E. and Edna Lee (Rodgers) Swim. Ed and Barbara Jacobs were married April 26, 1956 in Tahlequah and that same year he earned his Bachelor's Degree in Education at NSU. They soon moved to Jefferson County, Colorado where he began his career as an art teacher. While living in Colorado, Ed was a member of the National Guard and the Air Force Reserve. He and Barbara taught school for ten years in Colorado before relocating to Cedar Rapids, Iowa with their new born daughter, Kristy. They returned to Oklahoma eight years later, and Ed taught school at Oktaha, Wilson and in the early 1990's he retired from Okemah Public Schools. Along with his love for art and teaching, Ed greatly enjoyed his time as a HAMM Radio Operator. In 1985, Ed started a small business know as Ed's Electronics, which was to be a summer job installing satellite dishes. This summer job grew to a full time business that Ed operated until 2000. He also was a storm spotter for many years in Okmulgee County. Ed was a member of the OEA, NEA and was raised in the Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by his parents, Louie and Edna Swim and a sister, Martha Mae Swim. Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Barbara, of the home, a daughter, Kristy Swim and husband John Ewell of Joplin, Missouri, two sisters, Betty Tillery of Tempe, Arizona and Joyce Best and husband Gene of Mesa, Arizona, a brother, Chuck Swim of Wichita Falls, Texas and

five nieces and nephews and their families. Funeral services will be held 10:00 A.M. Friday, February 24, 2012 at the McClendon-Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Dennis Taylor officiating. Interment will follow at 12:00 P.M in the Starns Cemetery, near Ft. Gibson. Friends may visit the funeral home on Thursday from 12-8 P.M. Arrangements are under the direction of the McClendon-Winters Funeral Home of Okmulgee. Online condolences may be sent at [www.mcclendon-winters.com](http://www.mcclendon-winters.com)

## Cemetery Details

### Starns Cemetery

Ft. Gibson, OK

## Previous Events

### Service

FEB **24**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Edward Lee Swim*

December 20, 2022 at 11:29 AM



“ *Kristi and Mrs. Swim I am so sorry for your loss. Rhonda also sends her deepest sympathy. Mr. Swim was her basketball coach and Kristi was a good friend to Rhonda. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Rhonda and Donna Gunter##imported-begin##Donna Gunter##imported-end##*

February 20, 2012 at 01:56 AM



“ *Our thoughts are with you.##imported-begin##Dick & karen Todd##imported-end##*

February 19, 2012 at 06:54 PM



“ *Thinking of you in this time of loss. Ed you will always be fondly remembered and greatly missed!##imported-begin##Kristy D. Apperson (Lawson)##imported-end##*

February 18, 2012 at 04:06 PM

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*Barb, our thoughts and prayers are with you, sorry to hear about your loss.*

**Terry & Sharla Stephenson** - February 28, 2012 at 09:02 PM