



Jerry A. Purvine

January 23, 1939 - July 12, 2023

Jerry A. Purvine, 84, of Okmulgee, passed away Wednesday, July 12, 2023 at his residence. He was born January 23, 1939 in Okmulgee to the late Wesley Auverne and Mary Elizabeth (Farned) Purvine. Jerry graduated from Okmulgee High School in 1957. During his time in high school, Jerry made lifelong friends with Frank Shurden, Ronnie Smith, Jack Reece, David Carey and Blanchard Reel and they were known as the Woodmen. He lettered in football with the Okmulgee Bulldogs, which led to a football scholarship at NEO. He then attended N.E.O. A & M College in Miami and a member of the Golden Norsemen Football Team and played in the Junior College Rose Bowl. Jerry was later inducted to The Athletes Hall of Fame in Miami. He then attended OSU Tech, where he would later teach for thirty-five years. On October 20, 1963, Jerry and Joanne Mason were united in marriage at the Butler Memorial United Methodist Church in Okmulgee. After his retirement from OSU, Jerry worked for the Department of Agriculture, both federal and state agencies, as an official trapper for Oklahoma. Jerry had a great love of the outdoors, that included fishing and hunting. He was an award winning member of the Oklahoma National Guard Rifle Team, the Okmulgee Lions Club, and a faithful member of Butler Memorial United Methodist Church until its closure, where he served as Sunday School Superintendent. Jerry will be remembered for his willingness to always help others.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents, and a sister, Glenda Purvine.

Survivors include the love of his life, Joanne; a daughter, Amber Purvine Hodge and husband Stephen, a son, Brett Purvine; grandchildren, Forrest Miller and wife Shelby, Autumn Miller O'Feery and husband Justin, Kymber Purvine, and Tara Ferguson; great granddaughter, Olive O'Ferry; and his brother, Robert Purvine and wife Sandy, and many nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends on Monday evening from 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.

The funeral service will be held 10:00 A.M., Tuesday, July 18, 2023 at the McClendon-WintersFuneral Home Chapel. Interment will follow in the Okmulgee Cemetery. Casket Bearers will be Forrest Miller, Stephen Hodge, Justin O'Feery, Mike Purvine, Jeff Warnock and Chris Beck. Honorary Casket Bearers will be Frank Shurden, Chet Munds, Tommy Micheau, Jack Reece and Ron Mills. Memorial contributions may be made in Jerry's memory to the American Cancer Society or St. Anthony Catholic Church.

Arrangements have been entrusted to McClendon-Winters Funeral Home of Okmulgee. Memories, condolences, photos and videos may be shared with the family on Jerry's Tribute Page of our website www.mcclendon-winters.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 17. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - Okmulgee

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Funeral Service

JUL 18. 10:00 AM (CT)

McClendon-Winters Funeral Home Chapel

303 E. 7th Street

Okmulgee, OK

Tribute Wall



“ *McClendon-Winters Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jerry A. Purvine*



McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - July 17, 2023 at 12:57 PM

JR

“ *Joan Reynolds lit a candle in memory of Jerry A. Purvine*



Joan Reynolds - July 22, 2023 at 08:50 PM

DB

“ *So sorry for your loss Joanne, Amber, and Brett. The Brummett family, Donna, Danell, Denise, and DeeAnn.*

Donna Brummett - July 17, 2023 at 11:26 PM

DC

“ *So sorry for the Purvine loss. As a fellow trapper Jerry will be missed in the trapping community.*

Dan Colombin - July 17, 2023 at 10:23 PM

CC

“ Jim and Connie Clevenger would like to send prayers to the Purvine family. Amber and the entire family helped raise Michael and Michelle when we were working. Love to you

Connie Ckevenger - July 17, 2023 at 07:56 PM

DB

“ Jerry was such an integral part of the Class of '57; we will all miss him terribly! Joanne, I am out of town and will miss the service, but please know you and your family are in my prayers. Jerry was an all-around great guy! Love to all.

Donna Boss-Martin - July 17, 2023 at 06:33 PM

DT

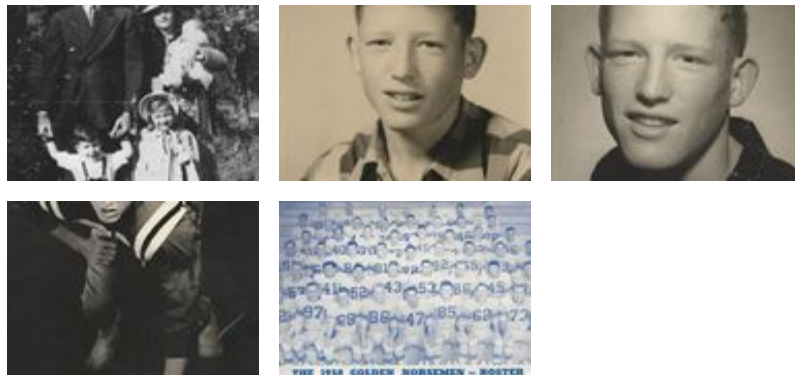
“ Dahlita McCart Tracy lit a candle in memory of Jerry A. Purvine



Dahlita McCart Tracy - July 17, 2023 at 01:05 PM



“ 111 files added to the album Life Tributes



McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - July 17, 2023 at 10:48 AM

MM

“ *A great man, humble and funny. Jerry, you will be sorely missed.* ”



Marie Mills - July 16, 2023 at 08:59 AM

KM

“ *You touched the heart of many, more than you know. You'll be deeply missed. I love you Uncle Jerry, until the mountains tumble down.* ”



Kat Mills - July 16, 2023 at 08:52 AM

CC

“ *He was a great man taught me alot at OSU Tech.* ”



Clay Copenhaver - July 16, 2023 at 12:25 AM

JM

“ *Positive thoughts and prayers.* ”

Jim McClendon - July 15, 2023 at 06:42 AM

DD

“ *Dollene Duff lit a candle in memory of Jerry A. Purvine*



Dollene Duff - July 14, 2023 at 09:43 PM

JC

“ *Jeffrey L Culbert lit a candle in memory of Jerry A. Purvine*



Jeffrey L Culbert - July 14, 2023 at 02:28 PM

TC

“ *Our condolences to Joanne and family. Always kiind*

Tim Craighton - July 14, 2023 at 12:58 PM

TC

“ *Terri Cook lit a candle in memory of Jerry A. Purvine*



Terri cook - July 14, 2023 at 12:17 PM

SW

“ *Suzanne Wise lit a candle in memory of Jerry A. Purvine*



Suzanne Wise - July 14, 2023 at 08:40 AM

SW

Prayers for you, Joann.

Suzanne Wise - July 14, 2023 at 08:42 AM

BA

“ *Joann and family, I am so sorry for your loss. Praying for You all strength, comfort and peace.*



Becky Arnold - July 14, 2023 at 12:05 AM

MZ

“ *Mary Zinno lit a candle in memory of Jerry A. Purvine*



Mary Zinno - July 13, 2023 at 11:00 PM

DM

“ *David Miller lit a candle in memory of Jerry A. Purvine*



David Miller - July 13, 2023 at 07:30 PM