



## Ralph Quinton Sprouse

November 9, 1933 - August 27, 2016

Ralph Quinton Sprouse went to be with his Lord and Savior on Saturday, August 27, 2016 at the age of 82 and became another special angel in Heaven. Ralph was born in 1933 to Alex and Minnie Singleton Sprouse. He attended Centrahoma Schools, graduating in 1952. He attended OSU-Okmulgee Technical School after serving his country in the U.S. Army. He began working at REC in the summers of his last two years of high school and then full-time after the Army. He retired from REC as Superintendent of Operations in 1995, after 42 years of service.

While working at REC, he met Marilyn Holly in 1959 and they married in November of that year. Over the years they had two daughters, Carla and Beth. Ralph became a 32nd Degree Mason and was still a dual member of the Okmulgee Masonic Lodge #199 and the Checotah Masonic Lodge, and recently received his 50 year pin. Ralph was also a member of the Okmulgee Shrine Club and American Legion Post #10. He was an Elder and was the current Chairman of the Board at the First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Morris.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Marilyn of the home, his daughter Carla Turley and husband Tim of Morris and daughter Beth Sprouse of Okmulgee. He is also survived by two brothers, John Sprouse and wife Wilma of Dewar and Carl Don Sprouse and wife Fran of Muskogee, three sisters, Omega

Carson of Byng, Deborah Cobb and husband Loyd of Morris, and Gayla Anson of Ada. Ralph is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews, cousins and a lot of close friends.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, September 1, from 6 P.M. to 8 P.M. at McClendon-Winters funeral Home of Okmulgee.

Graveside services will be held at Okmulgee Cemetery on Friday, September 2 at 10 A.M. with Pastor Tim Craighton officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Okmulgee Masonic Lodge #199 Building Fund or Shriner's Children's Hospitals.

# Cemetery Details

## Okmulgee Cemetery

2601 South Wood Drive  
Okmulgee, OK 74447  
(918) 756-5109

# Previous Events

## Viewing

SEP 1. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - Okmulgee  
303 E. 7th Street  
Okmulgee, OK 74447  
(918) 756-1677  
info@mcclendon-winters.com  
<https://www.mcclendon-winters.com>

## Visitation

SEP 1. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - Okmulgee  
303 E. 7th Street  
Okmulgee, OK 74447  
(918) 756-1677  
info@mcclendon-winters.com  
<https://www.mcclendon-winters.com>

## Graveside Service

---

SEP 2. 10:00 AM (CT)

Okmulgee Cemetery  
2601 South Wood Drive  
Okmulgee, OK 74447  
(918) 756-5109

# Tribute Wall



“ McClendon-Winters Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ralph Quinton Sprouse



---

McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - September 01, 2016 at 02:35 PM



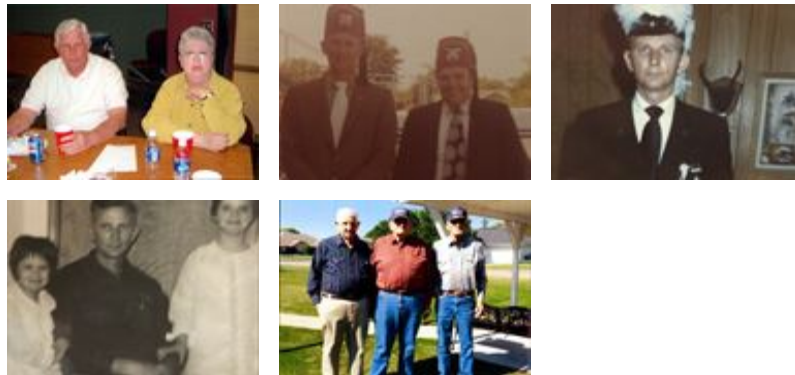
“ Ralph Quinton Sprouse

---

December 20, 2022 at 11:29 AM



“ 34 files added to the album Life Tributes



---

McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - September 01, 2016 at 02:27 PM

GH

“ So sorry for your loss. Ralph was always so happy and Gary loved to visit with him especially at 'On The Square'. Prayers for you and the family.

---

**Ginger Harman** - September 01, 2016 at 08:27 AM

SV

“ Thinking of your family and praying for you So many good memories cherish them all  
May the Lord wrap his arms around you and comfort you during this time no pain no sorrow for evermore and just think he's with his best friend Blaine and I sure they were happy to see each other and mom may be cooking them something good Love to you all Sandy Vernnon

---

**Sandy Vernnon** - August 31, 2016 at 03:22 PM

DM

“ David Miller lit a candle in memory of Ralph Quinton Sprouse



---

**david miller** - August 31, 2016 at 03:01 PM

BB

“ My heart is sad to hear the loss of Ralph, It is his strong faith in Jesus that we know Ralph is in a heavenly home ,it is our strong faith in Jesus that we will see him again. If every man patterned their lives after Ralph the world would truly be a better place. I know Ralph will be standing beside Jesus ready to hug us when it is our turn to walk thru heavens gates, Know that heaven is a brighter place now because Jesus has the best Electrician. Beth know that your daddy loves you , Carla know that your daddy loves you. Marilyn know your husband loves you all more than you will ever imagine. You all are in my prayers.  
Bobby

---

**Bobby Blankenship** - August 30, 2016 at 04:33 PM

KB

“ Our prayers are with you all.. I just know Ralph and Daddy are up in Heaven telling stories and laughing together.. We love you all, Kim and Marie Gingrich

---

**Kim Gingrich Borchert** - August 30, 2016 at 04:06 PM

PC

“ Marilyn,  
There was 19 years difference in Ralph and my ages, so he seemed to me such a TALL, smiling, funny cousin. Well, as years passed and I grew up, he still was the TALL, smiling, funny cousin. I am so saddened to hear of his passing, and know he will be greatly missed. Love and prayers.

*Patricia Sprouse Childs*

---

**Patricia Sprouse Childs** - August 30, 2016 at 03:42 PM

SS

“ I'm so very proud to be a "Sprouse", Ralph was such a good, kind, God fearing man! Never told him how much I respected him and looked up to him. He was more like a second Dad to me than a cousin. I always thought him and Marilyn were the perfect couple. I remember family reunions in Ada, first Sunday after the 4th of July, every year! It was a must in our family! He was always smiling and Marilyn was always laughing. He will be dearly missed and never forgotten. Then they had to beautiful daughters who also are always smiling and laughing! I love my family, and thank God everyday for them!! RIP Cuz till we meet again!

*PS smack dad up side the head a couple times for me, OK?? :)*

*Sally Sprouse*

---

**Sally Sprouse** - August 30, 2016 at 03:20 PM

DG

“ Marilyn, Carla and Beth , we were so saddened to hear of the passing of Ralph. Our wonderful memories of him were when we all lived in Coal County when we were kids. We spent most of the summer at each other's homes or together at Grandma's. We especially remember how much fun we had at the Easter egg hunts in the field across road from Grandma's house. Yesterday, we laughed about this memory-Ralph was at our house and the three of us were walking down the road. We liked to walk to Leader Creek bridge and back and play along the way. We were going along eating biscuits left from breakfast when we saw a man we didn't know coming up the road. Ralph was lagging behind, we asked what he was doing. He said had stopped to put his biscuit in his overall pocket, he was afraid the man would take it from him. Over the years, it was special when we had the opportunity to visit with Ralph at some Sprouse reunions. Wish we could have seen him more often. May the loving memories you have of him help you through this sad time.

*Sprouse Cousins. Doris and Patsy*

---

**Doris Green** - August 30, 2016 at 02:25 PM

JC

“ My sincere sympathy to Marilyn and family....Ralph was a good friend.



---

**Jeneane Campbell** - August 30, 2016 at 11:19 AM

AD

“ *Ralph and Marilyn were among the first people I met when I married Russ and moved to Okmulgee. Ralph was an inspiration in service. Prayers. -Fondly, Anna Dearmore*



---

**Anna Dearmore** - August 30, 2016 at 10:06 AM

MM

“ *Marilyn and family I am very sorry. I will miss Ralph very much, although i didn't get to visit as much as I would have liked to. I have a lot of good memories from the many years that Ralph and I worked for ECE. And I will have to say that they were all good. Ralph was always fair and helpful and I learned a lot him. Our prayers are with you and your family. We will see him down the road...*

*Murray and Yvonne McPherson*

---

**Murray McPherson** - August 29, 2016 at 11:35 PM

JM

“ *Marilyn and girls, so sorry. Ralph was the always smiling guy. I will be out of town checking on Shari's dad, but positive thoughts and prayers.*

---

**Jim McClendon** - August 29, 2016 at 10:48 PM

DC

“ I remember the night you came to Tanya's graduation in a Tux. You were so handsome and distinguished looking. I remember your friends finding out I was your sister. It made me so proud, and just knowing I was your sister, I had new friends. I will miss our hug and kiss when ever we met an parted, along with an "I love you". You were a wonderful husband, father and brother. Everyone knew you and you knew everyone. My heart is broken, brother, but I know you are fine. I will see you in Heaven, but for now I'll know I have a guardian angel like no other. I love you Ralph. Thank you for sharing yourself with all of us. We have been truly blessed to have you in our lives. I have been blessed to have you for my brother.

---

**Debbie Sprouse Cobb** - August 29, 2016 at 05:54 PM

KM

*I can still hear his laugh and will cherish the memories from the 13 years I worked with you at the Coop. R.I.P. Ralph see you again!*

---

**Kim Melton** - August 29, 2016 at 10:16 PM

GA

“ In my mind you would always be there. In my heart you WILL always be. Mom and Dad were so proud of you as were we all. One of the last things Dad said to me was if you ever need anything call your Brother Ralph. I knew i could call any of you and you would be there but you were left in charge! :) I love you my Brother. You were a Great man! Gone but never forgotten. Until I see you again.

---

**Gayla Sprouse Anson** - August 29, 2016 at 03:51 PM

MS

“ I can't imagine anybody not liking Ralph after meeting him. He was not only my cousin but also my friend and a great hunting partner. I have many great memories of not only family reunions in Ada but also great memories of family Deer hunting trips that I will never forget. He will be missed.

*Michael Ralph Sprouse*

---

**Mike Sprouse** - August 29, 2016 at 01:46 PM

CT

“ Chuck Tiessen lit a candle in memory of Ralph Quinton Sprouse



---

**Chuck Tiessen** - August 29, 2016 at 10:57 AM

TA

“ You were one of a kind my dear uncle. I know your no longer sick or in pain, my heart is broken, especially for my momma who loved you dearly. You always looked after us and helped us get where we are today. I'm glad my son got to know you and had a glimpse of what his Great Grandpa Alex would have been like. See you again...



---

**Tanya** - August 29, 2016 at 08:52 AM

JP

“ I remember when Ralph was a lineman in the Beggs area. That is when we all called it REA coop. When I was a freshman in high school Ralph came out to my Grandparents house West of Beggs and met with my Grandpa and my Ag teacher Mr. Harvey. He gave us some 300 feet of electric wire to run to the barn so I could have power to run heat lamps for a gilt that I had bred so when she had her litter of pigs they would be warm. Ralph was a very nice man. Remember seeing him down at the boot shop visiting with my good friend who I still miss Bob Finch. To the Sprouse family you are in my prayers.

*Jim Pilkington*

---

**Jim Pilkington** - August 28, 2016 at 10:05 PM

WS

*I remember my mom and I riding with Ralph from our place to grandma's when he came through on his way from Okmulgee to Centrahoma. I remember when he and Marilyn had stopped at our place one time, and a storm rolled in. We all had to go to the cellar. Good-bye, Cousin. RIP.*

*Woodard Springstube.*

---

**Woodard Springstube** - August 29, 2016 at 01:19 PM

JP

“ *Jim Pilkington lit a candle in memory of Ralph Quinton Sprouse*



---

**Jim Pilkington** - August 28, 2016 at 09:49 PM