



Stearlin Franklin Rice

August 19, 1920 - May 10, 2013

Stearlin Franklin Rice died in Tulsa on Friday, May 10, 2013 at 92 years of age. Stearlin was born in Searcy County, Arkansas on August 19, 1920 to Benjamin Franklin and Louise (Stills) Rice. On September 14, 1940 he married Estes Hinkle. His passion in life was bluegrass music and playing his banjo.

Stearlin was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Estes on November 9, 1999 and a son Gerald Wayne Rice. He is survived by three children: daughter JoAnn Young and husband Marvin of Bixby, son Larry Rice and Shelley of Bristow and son Ronnie Rice also of Bristow, six grandchildren: Marvin Young, Jr., Pam Rash, Cary Rice, Brian Rice, Dawnya Wenninger and Angela Kimble, fifteen great grandchildren, four great-great grandchildren, one sister Idella Crane and husband Bobby of Sand Springs and his very special friend and companion Edith Grissom.

A funeral service celebrating Stearlin's life will be held on Wednesday, May 15, 2013 at 10:00 A.M. at the First Assembly of God Church in Beggs with Reverend Haskell Baldrige officiating. Interment will follow at the Beggs Cemetery. Friends may see Stearlin at the McClendon-Winters Funeral Home on Tuesday, May 14, 2013 from 12:00 – 8:00 P.M.

Cemetery Details

Beggs Cemetery

West Hwy 16
Beggs, OK

Previous Events

Viewing

MAY 14. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - Beggs
205 West Main
PO Box 750 (for mail)
Beggs, OK 74421
(918) 267-4444
info@mcclendon-winters.com
<https://www.mcclendon-winters.com>

Funeral Service

MAY 15. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Assembly of God Beggs
400 E. Main
Beggs, OK

Tribute Wall



“ *Stearlin Franklin Rice*

December 20, 2022 at 11:29 AM



“ *I, we all, have been blessed to grow up with some of the greatest uncles and aunts a person could wish for. Uncle Stearlin was certainly at the head of all. As mentor, keeper, and role model he will always be in my memories. I haven't seen Uncle Stearlin very often since my teenage years but somehow I know there will be a empty spot in my heart with him not around. All the brothers are together now and wouldn't you love to be able to sit in on all the stories they are telling each right now.*

Jerry Masae Rice - May 15, 2013 at 08:06 AM



“ *Melissa Devilbiss lit a candle in memory of Stearlin Franklin Rice*



Melissa Devilbiss - May 15, 2013 at 07:48 AM



Stearlin gave my son Banjo lessons a couple of times, He was a very talented man. Loved listening to the group of people play in his living room those couple of evenings.

Melissa Devilbiss - May 15, 2013 at 07:55 AM

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“ *Debbie Rice lit a candle in memory of Stearlin Franklin Rice*



Debbie Rice - May 13, 2013 at 09:57 PM

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“ *My last memory of Uncle Sterlin was watching my mom hug him and tell him goodbye Monday, May 6th. It was very previous watching the brother and sister hug, not realizing it would be the last time here on earth. Uncle Sterlin's sweet spirit reminded me of Grandma Rice, always gentle and kind. I think of him also from the days of my youth coon hunting with my dad and of course Ronnie Dean. Very fond memories. Uncle Sterlin will be greatly missed, but oh what a celebration last week on the day of his arrival in Heaven. Joann, Ronnie, and Larry my thoughts are with you all. Love Linda Gail*

Linda Gail Rice-Russell - May 13, 2013 at 01:35 PM

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“ *April (Mills)Hale lit a candle in memory of Stearlin Franklin Rice*



April (Mills)Hale - May 11, 2013 at 10:37 PM

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“ *Charla Davis lit a candle in memory of Stearlin Franklin Rice*



Charla Davis - May 10, 2013 at 10:18 PM

DR

I loved visiting Uncle Stearlin and Aunt Estes when I was child. They both always had a smile and a hug for us when Daddy (Sherman) took us to visit. He has a special place in my heart.

Debbie Rice

Debbie Rice - May 13, 2013 at 09:55 PM