



Chester "Sonny" Leon Whitmire Jr.

November 7, 1939 - March 10, 2022

Chester Leon Whitmire Jr. passed away March 10, 2022, in Nowata, Oklahoma at the age of 82.

He was born to Chester Leon Whitmire Sr. and Josephine Beatrice Thorton Whitmire on November 7, 1939, in Tahlequah, Oklahoma. Chester attended school in Haskell and later graduated in 1960 with a diploma in electricity. Chester served in the United States Army until he was honorably discharged on November 30, 1967. As an Electrician he worked for McDonald Douglas in Tulsa, later working for Reda Pump in Bartlesville, OK.

On November 4, 1967, Chester married the love of his life Marilyn (Marrs) Whitmire whom he spent 55 years with. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, golf, bowling, watching SOONER football and most of all spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. His greatest accomplishments were retiring from Reda Pump after 32 years of service, and his biggest accomplishment being father, grandfather and great-grandfather.

He was preceded in death by his parents Chester and Josephine Whitmire and three sisters Wynona Hogner, Polly Dacy and Agnes Chaney.

Chester is survived by his wife Marilyn, one daughter Dana Robinson and husband Cary of Nowata, One son Chance Whitmire and partner Michael McMurtrey of New York, a bonus daughter Genene Cheatham and husband

Jeff of LaPine, one grandson Tristan Robinson of Nowata, One granddaughter Cherokee GGeo and husband Dalton of Nowata, with two great grandsons Cooper and Ryder. Three sisters Rebecca Worthington, Ellouise Whitmire of Tulsa, and Euphamia Thompson of Jenks and many dear nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held Friday, March 18, 2022, at 2 P.M. at First Church of God in Nowata under the direction of Stumpff Funeral Home and Crematory.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial donations, in Sonny's name, be made to Nowata EMS.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAR 18. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Church Of God Nowata
408 S Pine St
Nowata , OK 74048

Tribute Wall



“ *Chester "Sonny" Leon Whitmire Jr.*

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ *Chester "Sonny" Leon Whitmire Jr.*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Chester "Sonny" Leon Whitmire Jr..*



March 14, 2022 at 11:35 PM



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March 12, 2022 at 05:53 PM

BF

“ I remember back in 1976 my boss at Reda pump was griping about my production being less than what he thought it should be & I couldn't handle him & quit! Sonny told me he wished I'd come talk to him first cause he would have gotten Burr Roll off my butt real quick! Sonny meant a lot to Butch & I, so sorry for your loss!

Butch & Ruthie Fugate - March 11, 2022 at 05:24 PM

DC

I remember Larry W. told me at work Sonny passed away. That was right after Sonny retired. Later that summer I talked to Sonny at the Nowata Car Show as he was walking through. I told him what Larry W. told me and he said it was his nephew with the same name. We both laughed and I told Sonny just glad your still around. Later that week I told Larry W. Sonny was still alive and kicking. Boy I still remember the look on Larry face. Sonny was one great soul to have known. He will be dearly missed by family's and all all they knew him. Condolences and prayers to his family's.

Dave Cox - March 12, 2022 at 04:35 PM