



Jacqueline S (Jacque) Rigg

July 15, 1923 - June 27, 2015

Jacqueline S. (Jacque) Rigg, age 91, entered Heaven on June 27, 2015 in Edmond, Oklahoma after a valiant struggle with multiple health issues over the last year. She was strong to the very end. Jacque's loving family was by her side through every step of her journey home.

Jacque is survived by her children William Rigg Jr. (wife Barbara) OF Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan, Emily Wilhite (husband Jim) of Edmond, Okla., Susan Airington (husband Larry) of Edmond, Okla., and her brother, John Walton (wife Mag) of Tulsa. Also surviving are her 9 grandchildren, Jeff Rigg, Kevin Rigg, Kim Knudsen, Steven Rigg, Sarah Grote, Laura Franklin, Megan Airington, Emily Heck, Travis Airington and 24 great-grandchildren who knew her affectionately as Memaw. Jacque was predeceased by her husband of 68 years, Bill in 2011; her parents Ray and Mattie Walton; and her sister Joyce Whitzel.

Jacque was born July 15, 1923 in Blackwell, Oklahoma. After graduating high school in Ponca City she began college at North Oklahoma Junior College (now NOC) in Tonkawa. It was there that she met the love of her life, Bill Rigg. Bill interrupted his education and enlisted in the Army to serve our country in World War II. One of his last training assignments before being sent overseas was in King City, CA. Jacque accepted Bill's marriage proposal and took the train by herself to California. They were married in Carmel, California on

September 11, 1943 at the Church Of The Wayfarer. During World War II, Mrs. Rigg assisted with the training of British pilots in the Link Trainer for instrument flying.

After Bill returned from the war, he completed his engineering degree at Oklahoma State University and soon thereafter accepted employment with Phillips Petroleum Company. Jacque and Bill moved between Oklahoma, Texas, Illinois, and New Mexico in his early career assignments. Son Bill Jr. was born in Ponca City in 1946, daughter Emily was born in Indiana in 1951, and daughter Susan was born in New Mexico in 1952.

The family put down roots in Bartlesville, Oklahoma for the children's formative years. Jacque was a stay at home mom except for occasional stints as a substitute teacher. There she became active in all the kids activities, PEO, the church, and various bridge clubs. She took up golf and became the favorite partner of husband Bill. She was always the ultimate provider for the family.

Jacque was a person of unconditional love for family and friends. She was the sweetest person one would ever meet. We will keep her in our hearts forever and miss her immensely.

Visitation will be Tuesday, June 30 from 6 – 8 pm at the Stumpff Funeral Home, 1600 S.E. Washington, Bartlesville. Services will be held at Bartlesville First Church, 4715 Price Road in Bartlesville on Wednesday, July 1 at 2 P.M. with Reverend Tari Carbaugh officiating. Burial will be at Memorial Park Cemetery in Bartlesville next to her beloved Bill. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the a charity of your choice.

The family would like to thank Touchmark at Coffee Creek, and Angie Loveless for the tender care they provided during Jacque's transition.

Cemetery Details

Memorial Park Cemetery

4200 Nowata Rd
Bartlesville, OK 74006

Previous Events

Family Reception

JUN 30. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stumpff Funeral Home Chapel
1600 SE Washington Blvd
Bartlesville, OK 74006
(918) 333-4300
<http://www.Stumpff.org>

Funeral Service

JUL 1. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Bartlesville First Church
4715 Price Rd
Bartlesville, OK 74006
<http://www.bartlesvillefirstchurch.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Jacqueline S (Jacque) Rigg*

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ *Jacqueline S (Jacque) Rigg*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *Emily, and others of the Riggs family, we share memories over many years and we will all be meeting in Heaven again. Blessings to you, God loves you.*
Bill Belknp



Bill Belknap - July 04, 2015 at 11:58 AM



“ *Thinking of you and your loss. Our family and your family have been connected for years. She will be sorely missed.*

Jerry and Neva Sears

G. O. Sears - July 01, 2015 at 12:45 PM

SH

“*Jacque and Bill were our B'ville neighbors. I remember Jacque coming over to our house to meet us, and my Mom (my folks were visiting from Kansas) met her at the door. My Mom and Jacque looked at each other...and thought they had met before. It turned out that they had...in Arizona at a 491st Bomb Group reunion. My Dad and Bill were both part of the 491st Bombardment Squadron in WWII. Talk about a small world. So, every time my folks visited, if I couldn't find my Dad, he would be over visiting Bill and Jacque. Jacque was the sweetest person, and both her and Bill looked after us. Bill and Jacque saw my daughter grow up.*

Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time. Jacque was a blessing to everyone that had the privilege of knowing her. God Bless, Sharon, Bob, and Katy Hamilton

Sharon Hamilton - July 01, 2015 at 09:42 AM

JA

“*My condolences to all the Rigg family.*

Joe Airington - June 30, 2015 at 11:13 PM

PB

“*Bill and Jacque Rigg were cousins of mine. Paul and I used to stop by and visit them when we would go through Bartlesville. They were the kindest people and always gracious hosts. We used to have so much fun visiting with them at the Rigg Reunions when they were held in Augusta. I will always cherish knowing them and spending time with them. My first memory of Jacque was at a Rigg Reunion held in El Dorado when I was just a little girl. And I thought... wow! she is like one of those mom's you see on TV... :) What a blessing to have known them. My mother, Victoria Rigg, adored them as well. My thoughts and prayers are with her family at this time. God Bless. Patty Rigg Blake*

Patty Blake - June 29, 2015 at 08:27 AM

SF

“ Thinking of all of you!! I have such fond memories! Since my mom was in the hospital, Jacque took Emily and me to OKC to buy our prom dresses!!! And, I also got to spend Spring Break with the Rigg's in Santa Barbara!!!!



Sue Freiburger

Sue Freiburger - June 28, 2015 at 10:32 PM