

James (Jim) M. Murphy

November 6, 1925 - June 26, 2017

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James (Jim) Murphy a long time resident of Bartlesville & Dewey, OK area passed away peacefully in his home in Dewey, OK at 5:30 AM , June 26, 2017, at the age of 91. Funeral services will be conducted at Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory in Bartlesville, OK, at 2:00 PM, June 30, 2017 by Pastor Jsue Wagner, Chaplain of Comforting Hands Hospice. Internment will be conducted at the Dewey, Cemetery under direction of Stumpff Funeral Home. Jim was born on November 6, 1925 to Carl Monroe & Edith Mary (Pope) Murphy in Chelsea, OK. He was raised in Oklahoma but the family moved back & forth from Oklahoma to Omaha, NE. for work. He married Ollie M. Keller in 1948 in Nowata, Oklahoma & moved to Omaha, Nebraska where he worked in a coffee factory called Paxton Gallagher's making "Butternut Coffee", then moved back to Oklahoma 1954. Then he went to work at Reda Pump where he stayed until retirement in 1985. He was very devoted to his job & raising his family. He always worked hard & most of the time at 2 jobs to provide for his family. He was very sentimental & dearly loved children, especially his grandchildren & great grandchildren. It's been told, sometimes the neighborhood kids would come to the door and ask if Jim could come out & play with them. He was tenacious & never gave up. You could say he was a workaholic. He also enjoyed several kinds of recreation, which included reading History & non fiction & was a fast reader. All kinds of music & would set & listen to music for hours to relax. Camping, boating, water skiing &

hunting, which he spent many years annually hunting for Elk with his cousin & his cousin's son's in Colorado & hunting pheasant in Kansas & Nebraska & dearly loved fishing. He & a dear friend of his would go to Toledo Bend, TX every year to fish for Crappie or Bass & his grandson Troy, took him on a trip to Canada & Florida to fish, which was very special to him. He & his family traveled to all 50 states & he saw that his family had an annual vacation, usually in a recreational vehicle of some type. After retirement he also took many trips with his cousins from Omaha, NE. He also raised cattle in his spare time & baled hay with his son-in-law Ken in the summer, which he enjoyed doing, along with raising a huge garden. He raised enough garden to feed the family and the whole neighborhood. Prior to getting married he lived around Coody's Bluff, OK where he started work at an early age helping in the harvest for his neighbors. During WW II he worked in an aircraft factory in Tulsa, OK. and because he was unable to get a proper education he got his GED just so he could say he had. He is survived by his wife Ollie (Keller) Murphy, 2 daughters & son-in-laws: Connie & Kenneth Cook of Dewey, OK, Barbara & Leonard Harvey of Bartlesville, OK. Grandchildren & their spouses: Troy Packard & his wife, Laura (Mathis) Packard of Owasso, OK, Natasha (Cook) Smith & husband Justin of Dewey, OK, Brandon Ford of Los Angeles, CA. Great grand children, Aiden, Ethan & Kinley Packard of Owasso, OK, Gracie & Lucy Smith of Dewey, OK.

Step grandchildren & their spouses, Kent & Maureen Cook of Enid, OK, Vicki & Chris Bullen of Dewey, OK, Alisa Byers & husband Brent of Bartlesville, OK, Tauna & Larry Scroggins of Tulsa, OK., 11 Step great grandchildren and one step great great grandchild. He considered other relatives & friends very special to him.

He was preceded in death by his parents Carl & Edith Murphy, three brothers, Jessie Lee, Orville, & Carl Murphy.

Viewing will be held Thursday June 29, 2017 at 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Stumpff

Funeral Home & Crematory.

Cemetery Details

Dewey Cemetery

Highway 75 & Road 1300
Dewey, OK

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **28**. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory
1600 SE Washington Blvd.
Bartlesville, OK 74006
(918) 333-4300
info@stumpff.org
<https://www.stumpff.org>

Visitation

JUN **29**. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Family To Receive Friends

JUN **29**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Chapel Service

JUN **30**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *James (Jim) M. Murphy*

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ *James (Jim) M. Murphy*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM

RS

“ I was probably one of the little neighborhood kids they talked about always knocking on their door wanting him to come out. We have known them since I was six years old reading a book under the tree and they came over to meet us. Ever since then they have always held a special place in my heart growing up.

One special memory I have of Mr. Murphy while growing up always brings a smile to my face. I was a bit sad because of my freckles and wished they would go away because I was teased some and didnt think they were attractive. I went over to Mr. Murphys house were he was heading out to tend his garden and he wanted to know what was wrong. I told him I wished my freckles would go away. He just laughed, smiled, touched the tip of my nose and erased my sadness. He said, "Oi Rufus (thats my nickname from him) those arent freckles... those are beauty marks! Some people only have one and you have a bunch. Just makes you all the more beautiful." Next time a kid teased me for my freckles I just told them, "Mr. Murphy says they are beauty marks so I like them." And it never bothered me again. Every time I see my freckles it reminds me of him. He was such a special man and I will cherish all the memories I have with him. All his hugs, conversations and vegetables he would bring over. I loved him dearly and will miss him greatly. Cannot wait to be reunited with him in God's presence.

Ruth Sumner

Ruth Sumner - June 30, 2017 at 07:47 PM



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Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory - June 30, 2017 at 10:47 AM

RS

“ *My family and myself had the privilege to be Jim and Ollie Murphy's neighbors for over 15 years. He and Ollie have always been special friends to us and played a wonderful part in our three daughters growing from girls to young ladies. He would always tell them how much he thought of them and believe you me, they've always felt the same way about him.*

We live and work as missionaries in Honduras so we would be away from them for months at a time, but when home, it was always special to go see the Murphy's. I myself always kept an eye out to see so I could go over and visit him. I'd see him piddling around his shop, working on his tractors or numerous other projects. He always had time for me and my family. Always had fresh garden produce to share, especially his corn. When he had it, he'd eat it three times a day!

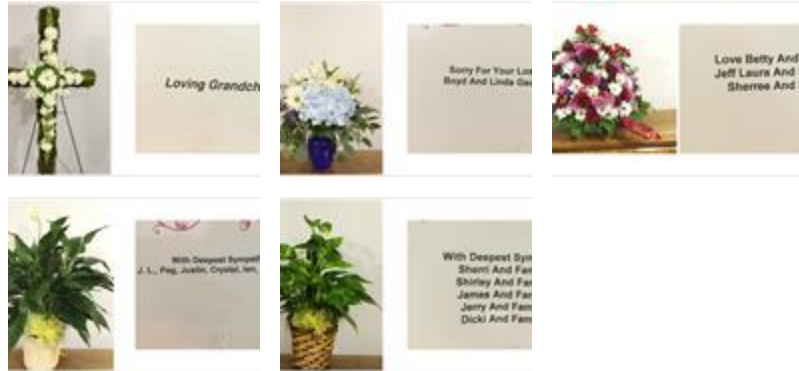
I've often said that God gave us the best neighbors in the world and that is exactly how we've always felt. Jim Murphy will always be remembered and missed greatly for the many ways he touched our lives. Our prayers are with Mrs. Murphy, Connie, Barbara and all of the rest of us who had the privilege to know this fine man.

*Until we meet again, Jim, In His presence,
Rev. Alan B. Sumner for all the Sumner clan*

Rev. Alan B. Sumner - June 29, 2017 at 06:02 PM



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Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory - June 29, 2017 at 04:44 PM



“ Mr. Mrs. Jason Courtney and Mr. Mrs. Tim Combs purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of James (Jim) M. Murphy.



Mr. Mrs. Jason Courtney and Mr. Mrs. Tim Combs - June 29, 2017 at 12:17 PM



“ I worked with Jim at Reda Pump Co. for 15+ years. His knowledge of the machine shop and honesty at addressing problems and ideas was refreshing and productive. I enjoyed him as a supervisor and a friend and am so sorry to hear of his passing. He will be missed.

Nelson Stayton

Nelson Stayton - June 28, 2017 at 07:39 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of James (Jim) M. Murphy.



June 28, 2017 at 07:01 PM