



Loyal Bartley Swanson

March 17, 1928 - May 1, 2024

Loyal Bartley Swanson, 96, better known as “Biggit” to his family & loved ones, resident of Barnsdall, took his last breath on this earth and first breath in Heaven on Wednesday, May 1, 2024, in the Jane Phillips Medical Center.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday at the First Baptist Church of Barnsdall with Rev. Pat Andrews and Rev. Gerald Biswell officiating. Interment will be in the Ethel Reece Cemetery at Barnsdall, Oklahoma.

Loyal was born March 17th, 1928, in rural Skiatook, to Bart and Ludie (Soward) Swanson. His family later relocated to Pershing, Oklahoma, where from the age of 13 years, Loyal helped his dad farm and farmed land for neighbors. After completing his military service in the Army, on July 27, 1950, Loyal married Zella Miller and they made their home in Barnsdall where they were lifelong members of the First Baptist Church.

Throughout his life, his hobbies include “Coon Hunting”, welding, shooting and reloading his multiple guns, gardening, and later in life making garden hoes from old plow discs by hand. He made thousands of them after his retirement from Reda Pump Co. in Bartlesville where he worked as an office clerk in Water Well Assembly and then in Oil Well Assembly, retiring in 1987.

Surviving Loyal is daughter, Levina Sue Standley and husband Cliff of

Barnsdall; sons, Alfred Bart and wife Sandra also of Barnsdall, Charles Leroy and wife Terri of Bartlesville; multiple Grandchildren, Great Grandchildren, Great Great Grandchildren; and one sister, Ernestine Montgomery of Barnsdall.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Zella; his youngest daughter, Margaret Ann Myers of Barnsdall; two grandsons, Richard Allen Swanson and Jeffrey Wayne Swanson; as well as his parents; and eight siblings, Boyd Swanson, Pearl Smith, Ray Swanson, Jesse Swanson, Vivian Lewis, Vera Thompson, and Lynn Swanson and Everette Tweed Swanson.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 401 St Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-9959.

Cemetery Details

Ethel Reece Cemetery - New Pavillion

Highway #123 South of Barnsdall
Barnsdall, OK 74002

Previous Events

Funeral

MAY 14. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church - Barnsdall
South Birch Lake Road
Barnsdall, OK 74002
(918) 847-2421

Tribute Wall

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“ Doug & Sharon Swanson purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Loyal Bartley Swanson.



Doug & Sharon Swanson - May 03, 2024 at 12:08 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Loyal Bartley Swanson.



May 03, 2024 at 11:52 AM

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“ Corey Gray planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Loyal Bartley Swanson.

Corey Gray - May 03, 2024 at 11:52 AM