

William (Bill) Taggart

September 4, 1930 - December 21, 2017

William H. (Bill) Taggart, Sr., 87, passed from this life on Thursday at his home in Copan, Oklahoma after a long struggle with dementia and Parkinson's disease.

Bill was born on the family farm east of Wann, Oklahoma on September 6, 1930 to Wesley J. and Mattie E. (Gaskill) Taggart. He graduated from Wann High School in 1949. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in February 1951 and received an honorable discharge in February 1954 at the rank of Sgt. 1st Class. He served in Korea from January 1952 to December 1953.

Bill married Margaret L. Key, the love of his life, on May 31, 1951 in Las Cruces, New Mexico. After his discharge he was employed for Lunsford Oil Well Servicing, Salmon Oil Company which later became Ladd Petroleum Company from 1956 and retired from Ladd Petroleum in August 1987, as field superintendent.

He was a long-time member of the American Legion James H. Teel Post #105 and a member of Dewey First Christian Church.

He loved to tease and play jokes on everyone, especially his grandchildren and great grandchildren. He loved to go camping for months at a time, mostly at Osage Hills State Park and Wah-Sha-She State Park at Hulah Lake.

Bill enjoyed taking care of his livestock but was most happy when cutting and baling hay.

Survivors include his wife Margaret of 66 years, two sons William Taggart Jr. and LaRue and Barry Taggart and Melissa; five grandchildren Bryan Taggart

and Sheryl, Jennifer Craig Taggart, J.R. Taggart and Kathleen, Tiffany Griggs and Josh and Blake Taggart and Sarah; fourteen great-grandchildren Shiloh Short, Pamela Taggart, Colton Howard, Tyler Griggs, Christopher Smith, Denzil Taggart, Dewayne Taggart, Kadie Griggs, Dawson Howard, Justin Doye, Lexi Call, Haley Taggart, Bradshaw Taggart and Liam Craig; two great-great grandchildren Zoey Deshields and Drace Roberts; one sister Daisy Hodges of Dewey; one brother Robert Taggart of Houston and two sister-in-laws Ruth Clayton of Dewey and Jean Vermillion of Tennessee. No services planned. Cremation is under the direction of Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory.

Tribute Wall



“ *William (Bill) Taggart*

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ *William (Bill) Taggart*

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“ *Gloria Davis lit a candle in memory of William (Bill) Taggart*

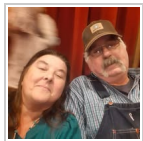


Gloria Davis - January 02, 2018 at 08:29 AM



“ *Bill was such a sweet, quite man. He did like to play jokes on people though. He and Maggie spent many weekends playing cards with my Mom and Dad at our house. Sending love and our thoughts and prayers for the family. Sis and Glenn Davis*

Gloria Davis - January 02, 2018 at 08:28 AM



“ *Melissa Groomes lit a candle in memory of William (Bill) Taggart*

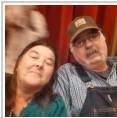


Melissa Groomes - January 01, 2018 at 06:54 PM

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“ I feel blessed by the good lord to have met and know Bill. He was one of a kind. Loved him for his being him. I always knew Bill had my back at the park. If he told you something , that was the way it was. He donated large amounts of money to different things and preferred it be as a unknown donor. What a hard worker. He loved his family, friends, and the good lord. I was blessed to have played a many of pitch games with him and Maggy. He could tell stories and keep me laughing, never tired of them. He and Maggy were two of my favorite campers we had. God bless Maggy, what a wonderful person. We loved both of them and rejoice knowing that William (Bill) Taggart is now in heaven waiting for the rest of us with a new deck of cards at the table. Maggy you are the best!

John and Janet Chinn - December 24, 2017 at 06:25 PM



Thank you so much for your kind words. John and Janet Chinn. The Taggart Family.

Melissa Groomes - January 01, 2018 at 06:53 PM