



Jack Ryel

June 26, 1943 - June 28, 2025

Jack Ryel, age 82, passed away peacefully on June 28, 2025, at the Hospice House in Oklahoma City, surrounded by the love of his family.

Jack was born in Hutchinson, Kansas, June 26, 1943, to Lowell and Edna (Lee) Ryel. One of five siblings, he grew up in Cherokee, Oklahoma, where he developed a strong work ethic and deep sense of family. He was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers JD and Joe; and his sister Neva (Egner)

Jack attended Oklahoma State University at Northwestern, Alva, Oklahoma, earning his Bachelor of Science, Mathematics with a minor in Physics and Education. While there, he met the love of his life, Blanche Mack. The two married on August 6, 1966, beginning a partnership that spanned nearly 59 years. Shortly after, Jack joined the U.S. Army, and the couple moved to Tennessee, where Jack earned his Master of Science, Economics with a minor in Accounting, at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee. It was there they welcomed their two sons, Brian and Jeff.

Over the years, Jack's career with Phillips 66 took the family across the South — living in Arkansas, Oklahoma, Tennessee, and Texas — before eventually settling back in Oklahoma to be closer to family. After retiring, Jack embraced his curiosity and a hands-on nature. He was truly a "Jack of all trades," dabbling in everything from the bug spray business to bar tending school, while continuing to stay active selling health insurance.

Above all, Jack was a family man — a dedicated husband, proud father, uncle, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He leaves behind his beloved wife

Blanche; brother Ron Ryel, sons Brian and Jeff; five grandchildren, Nicholas Ryel, Ashley Ryel, Ben Lindsly, Leslie Bolinger, Paxton Johnson; and two great-grandchildren, Conner and Presley Ryel, along with many cherished extended family members and friends.

Jack will be remembered for his wit, his work ethic, and his unshakeable devotion to his family. His legacy lives on in the love and stories shared by those who knew him.

Mass of Christian Burial will be Saturday, July 5, 2025 at 11:00 am in St. Joseph Catholic Church, Bison, with Reverend John Herrera celebrant. Burial will follow in Bison Cemetery under the direction of Anderson-Burriss Funeral Home and Crematory, Enid. Recitation of the Rosary will be Thursday evening at 6:00 pm at the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Bison Cemetery

Bison, OK

Previous Events

Rosary

JUL 3. 6:00 PM (CT)

Anderson-Burriss Funeral Home Chapel
3002 N. Van Buren
Enid, OK 73703
<http://www.andersonburriss.com>

Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 5. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
17402 S Van Buren St
Bison, OK 73720

Tribute Wall

EM

“ Dear Jack and his Family!
First time I met Jack he wore a vest. I have seen many more during the many years we have known each other. I have had a wonderful time with Blanche and Jack and their family. Something I will never forget. I miss you and love you and hope to see Blanche and family soon.
Love Eva

Eva Murray - July 06, 2025 at 03:55 PM

DR

“ Dennie Rick Terry Ray Lois JimR JimS Ron purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Jack Ryel.



Dennie Rick Terry Ray Lois JimR JimS Ron - July 03, 2025 at 02:37 PM



“ A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jack Ryel.

July 02, 2025 at 07:59 PM

JM

“ Jim and Cindy Mossey purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jack Ryel.



Jim and Cindy Mossey - July 02, 2025 at 07:10 PM

DS

“ We will keep you and your family in our thoughts and prayers. So sorry we cannot be with you. Dorothy and Larry Swalley

Dorothy Swalley - July 02, 2025 at 12:10 PM

DS

So sorry to hear about Jack. He was a great guy, and a good man. We're thinking about you, Blanche. Darlene and Deryl Sabin

Deryl Sabin - July 02, 2025 at 10:53 PM

MK

“ Mary K. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jack Ryel.

Mary K. - July 02, 2025 at 11:19 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jack Ryel.



July 02, 2025 at 10:42 AM

KK

“ Jay and I send our heartfelt condolences at this sad time. Jack was always very kind to me and he will be missed. Love, Karen Knapik

karen knapik - July 01, 2025 at 09:28 PM

TW

“ Tom and Patti Washer planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jack Ryel.

Tom and Patti Washer - July 01, 2025 at 08:42 PM

TW

“ Tom and Patti Washer purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Jack Ryel.



Tom and Patti Washer - July 01, 2025 at 08:42 PM

TL

“ Tiffany, Bryan, and Joshua Lewis purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jack Ryel.



Tiffany, Bryan, and Joshua Lewis - July 01, 2025 at 02:41 PM

MW

“ Makala, Todd, Aidan, Ruby, Kennedy Welsh planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jack Ryel.

Makala, Todd, Aidan, Ruby, Kennedy Welsh - July 01, 2025 at 11:14 AM

MW

“ Makala, Todd, Aidan, Ruby, Kennedy Welsh purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Jack Ryel.



Makala, Todd, Aidan, Ruby, Kennedy Welsh - July 01, 2025 at 11:14 AM

EB

“ Elaine and Rick Barrett planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jack Ryel.

Elaine and Rick Barrett - July 01, 2025 at 10:31 AM

EB

“ Elaine and Rick Barrett purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Jack Ryel.



Elaine and Rick Barrett - July 01, 2025 at 10:31 AM

MP

“ Mason and Tarin Pitman planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jack Ryel.

Mason and Tarin Pitman - June 30, 2025 at 09:58 PM

MP

“ *Mason and Tarin Pitman purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jack Ryel.*



Mason and Tarin Pitman - June 30, 2025 at 09:58 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jack Ryel.

June 30, 2025 at 09:02 PM

DS

“ *Dr. Deborah Schovanec purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Jack Ryel.*



Dr. Deborah Schovanec - June 30, 2025 at 06:39 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jack Ryel.*



June 30, 2025 at 05:24 PM