



Joseph Lee Mariner

April 19, 1930 - August 9, 2015

A Celebration of Life Memorial Service for Joseph Lee Mariner, 85, of Enid, will be held 2:00 P.M. Friday, August 14, at Anderson-Burris Funeral Home Chapel. Joe was born in Gage, Ok on April 19, 1930 to Paul and Odrie Alice (Reynolds) Mariner. Joe graduated from Garber High School in 1948 and later attended Oklahoma State University. Joe began his career as an auto mechanic, spending many years with Bond Bakery, before accepting a position at Autry Vocational Technology Center as an auto mechanics instructor, where he taught for 17 years. Joe was a veteran and proud of his military service in Korea. He served with the 366th Engineer Aviation Battalion of the U.S. Army, and later continued service in the Army Reserves. He remained an active member of the American Legion and VFW his whole life. Joe was constantly on the move and never slowed down. He was a proud OSU Cowboy fan, was a member of the American Antique Car Club of Enid, and Garfield County Retired Educators. His hobbies were numerous as were his friends. He met with friends weekly for coffee and lunch and enjoyed people wherever he went. Joe lived life to the fullest, active until his last day with us. In 1955, Joe married Ida Fay Rentfrow. To this marriage were born two children, Melinda and Michael Mariner. In 1982 Joe married Waunita Fay [Nusz] Kopf. They were married for 28 years until her passing in 2010. Joe is survived by his sister, Pauline Lowe of Enid, children: Melinda and Steve Casteel of Stillwater, Michael Mariner of Merritt Island, Florida; grandsons, Jacob Casteel of Oklahoma City; Joseph (Zac) Casteel of Stillwater; nephew Larry Lowe and Debbie Boyle, of Breckinridge; great-niece Jinna Mae [Lowe] and Garrett McCown of Fairmont; stepsons, Ronnie and Debbie Kopf of Skiatook, Gene and Maureen Kopf of Virginia; and many other precious grandchildren and great grandchildren, as well as cousins. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Wounded Warriors in care of Anderson-Burris Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall

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“ To my sweet dear and gentle Father "Beannacht leat go bhfeicfidh mé arís thú. Pronunciation: (ban-oct lat goh vecky may areesh who) This literally translates as 'Blessings until I see you again. Michael Paul Mariner An Irish Funeral PrayerDeath is nothing at all. It does not count. I have only slipped away into the next room. Everything remains as it was. The old life that we lived so fondly together is untouched, unchanged. Whatever we were to each other, that we are still. Call me by the old familiar name. Speak of me in the easy way which you always used. Put no sorrow in your tone. Laugh as we always laughed at the little jokes that we enjoyed together. Play, smile, think of me, pray for me. Let my name be ever the household word that it always was. Let it be spoken without effort Life means all that it ever meant. It is the same as it ever was. There is unbroken continuity. Why should I be out of mind because I am out of sight? I am but waiting for you, for an interval, somewhere very near, just around the corner. All is well. Nothing is hurt; nothing is lost. One brief moment and all will be as it was before. How we shall laugh at the trouble of parting, when we meet again.

Michael Mariner - August 13, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Joseph Lee Mariner*

Kelly Torres - August 13, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *God Speed Joe, I've enjoyed our 'health phone calls' each morning. No need to ask if you've taken your meds now...God is taking care of all your needs*
Sincerely, Ida Fay

Ida Fay West - August 13, 2015 at 12:00 AM