



## Jesse Isbell

June 20, 1940 - October 17, 2021

Jesse Dwayne Isbell of Broken Arrow, loving husband to Billie; fantastic father to Keith and Kevin, beloved grandfather (“Pop”) to Gordon, Garrison, Gavin, and Sienna; proud great-grandfather to Bennett and wonderful brother to his six siblings, passed away at home surrounded by family. Jesse, who never met a stranger, also never met a challenge he believed couldn’t be overcome with hard work, dedication, and compassion.

This servant leader always had a fish to catch and a story to tell, especially about his grandchildren. He loved his family, and his family loved him. This U.S. Air Force veteran leaves behind a legacy of love, commitment, and service that will be missed.

Jesse was born in Qualls, Oklahoma, on June 20, 1940, the first of seven children to Gordon W. and Marie Isbell. Jesse loved living in rural Oklahoma where he developed a lifetime passion for fishing and the outdoors. After graduating from Tahlequah High School, he moved to Tulsa for a manufacturing job and met a young lady named Billie Jean McDonald.

In 1961, the two decided to elope. It turned out to be an excellent decision for both as Jesse and Billie would be married for the next 60 years until parted by Jesse’s death. Shortly after their marriage, Jesse joined the U.S. Air Force. He and his young family, which now included sons, Keith, and Kevin, were stationed in Texas, California, and Turkey during Jesse’s Air Force service. As a Staff Sergeant, he won numerous awards and commendations and was honored to serve his country. After his honorable military discharge, Jesse and his family returned to Northeastern Oklahoma where he went to work for Fabricut in Tulsa, holding various inside and outside sales roles for nearly 40 years. Jesse won numerous sales awards in his nearly four-decade career and considered it a great privilege to work with and for Fabricut and the Finer and Guterman families. After retiring from Fabricut, Jesse missed sales and service and took on a part-time role as an associate at Atwoods in Coweta, a position he would hold for nearly 10 years.

Jesse was predeceased by his parents, his brother – David Isbell, and his sister – Donna Isbell. Jesse is survived by his wife, Billie of the home; son, Keith Isbell, and Keith's wife Charla (Jenks); son, Kevin Isbell, and Kevin's wife Kathleen (Walnut Creek, CA); grandchildren Gordon and wife Sarah Isbell, Garrison Isbell and Julia Baker, Gavin Isbell and Sienna Isbell and great-grandson, Bennett. He is survived by his brother Bill Isbell, and Bill's wife Nancy (Broken Arrow); his brother, Norman Isbell, and Norman's wife, Kathie (Broken Arrow); his brother, Phil Isbell, and Donna Jo Wright (Broken Arrow), and his sister, Rhonda Cagle and her husband, Alex (Broken Arrow). He is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends and his faithful dog, Zoey, who will miss him very much.

The family is thankful for the great care and support that Jesse received from nurse Christina during his illness and from the Miller Hospice team at the end of Jesse's life. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Alzheimers Association, Oklahoma Chapter at <http://www.alz.org>

A memorial service to celebrate Jesse's life will be held at Hayhurst Funeral Home in Broken Arrow on Nov. 12, at 11:00 a.m. with entombment at Fort Gibson National Cemetery.

# Cemetery

**Fort Gibson National Cemetery**  
1423 Cemetery Rd.  
Fort Gibson, OK, 74434

# Events

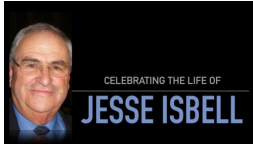
<b>NOV 12</b>	<b>Memorial Service</b>	11:00AM
	Hayhurst Funeral Home 1660 South Elm Place, Broken Arrow, OK, US, 74012	

# Comments

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“ A webcast video has been added.



**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - October 18, 2021 at 06:23 PM



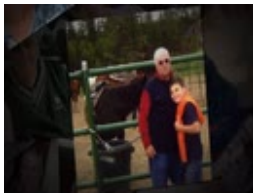
“ Our hearts are broken..to say goodbye to our Jesse..our loss is heavens gain..

**Norman & Kathie Isbell** - October 20, 2021 at 05:20 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album Video Tribute



**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - November 12, 2021 at 04:07 PM

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“ From your Volume Services Family purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Jesse Isbell.



**From your Volume Services Family** - November 12, 2021 at 09:24 AM

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“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Jesse Isbell.



November 11, 2021 at 08:04 AM

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“ Jesse was my oldest brother and I always looked to him for advice and security when we were growing up. The most fun we had together was fishing. He and i were fishing one night and between us we caught 141 fish. I will miss him very much, but I know he has found a good place to fish in Heaven. I love you brother. sincerely, Bill



**Bill Isbell** - November 09, 2021 at 01:24 PM

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“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jesse Isbell.



November 04, 2021 at 12:28 PM

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“ losing my brothers and sister ,has been the hardest thing I have ever had to go thru. I miss you already brother



**phil isbell** - November 01, 2021 at 11:49 AM

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“ I will really miss my brother and fishing buddy!! Rhonda Cagle



**Rhonda Cagle** - October 30, 2021 at 03:33 PM

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“ Our hearts are broken to say good-bye to Jesse..our loss is heavens gain



**Norman & Kathie Isbell** - October 20, 2021 at 05:24 PM

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“ Norman & Kathie Isbell lit a candle in memory of Jesse Isbell



**Norman & Kathie Isbell** - October 20, 2021 at 05:23 PM

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“ mike smith purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Jesse Isbell.



**mike smith** - October 20, 2021 at 11:10 AM

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“ The Williams HR Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Jesse Isbell.



**The Williams HR Family** - October 19, 2021 at 02:18 PM

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“ U will be miss brother in law ur part of my family a long time u will be missed by ur. Family but ur in good place now with all ur luv ones. luv and miss u



**Jo parsons** - October 19, 2021 at 01:37 PM



“ I always felt sort of out of place at the risenhoover isbell clan gatherings.However Jesse always made me feel welcome.I will always tremember him for that kindness.

**Larry Gerber** - November 11, 2021 at 06:10 PM

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“ It is our honor and privilege to serve the Isbell family and to provide this permanent tribute website in memory of Jesse.



**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - October 18, 2021 at 11:57 AM