



## Bill Shoemaker

May 17, 1932 - November 2, 2023

Billy Ed Shoemaker was born on Tuesday, May 17, 1932 in Inola, Oklahoma, the son of James “Bud” Calvin and Nellie Oda (Williams) Shoemaker. He passed this life at Clarehouse in Tulsa on Thursday, November 2, 2023. He was 91 years of age.

Bill was a 1950 graduate of Inola high school. He attended Okmulgee Tech and received a Diesel Mechanic Degree. He was married to the former Miss Jean Darline Spurlock on November 27, 1954 in Inola. She preceded him in death on Monday, September 2, 2013. Bill was a proud veteran of the United States Army. He was retired from Graybar Electric Company, where he was District Sales Manager. Bill was an avid golfer, winning numerous tournament and mastering 4 hole in ones. He enjoyed telling stories and attending all of Inola’s sporting events. The family requests memorials to: Clarehouse, 7617 South Mingo Road, Tulsa, OK 74133 or The American Heart Association, [www.heart.org](http://www.heart.org).

He is survived by,

Daughter, Nelda and husband Michael Shepherd, Cookson, OK

Grandchildren, Kelly E Mosier and Michael Lawson (Steel), Collinsville, Ok  
William “Billy” D. Armstrong III, Broken Arrow, OK

Shannon J Armstrong, Tulsa, OK

Great Grandchildren, Cheyenne, Colton, Savannah, Keghan & Khloe

Great Great Grandchildren, Sadie June, Waylon, Wyatt & Raphael

Several Nieces and Nephews

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, James “Bud” and Nellie; wife, Jean; son, James; sister, Helen; Brothers, Jack, Ray and Elvin.

# Cemetery Details

## Highland Park Cemetery

Inola, OK

# Previous Events

## Viewing

NOV 6. 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home  
1660 South Elm Place  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012  
(918) 258-9623  
hayhurstfuneralhome@gmail.com

## Visitation

NOV 6. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Service

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NOV 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

Inola United Methodist Church  
24 2nd Street SW  
Inola, OK 74031

# Tribute Wall

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“ I had the distinct pleasure of chatting with Bill during his many visits to the Tulsa Graybar branch. I learned something new from his years of experience with our company during each visit. Bill was always free with his time and knowledge, I count myself lucky to have known him.

Tim Harbaugh - November 07, 2023 at 03:41 PM

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Thanks so much for your kind words Tim. My Dad thought the world of you and your brother Ted. He had many mentors during his years at Graybar and tried very hard to pay that forward by doing the same for as many young people as possible.

Nelda Shepherd - November 25, 2023 at 11:05 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Hayhurst - November 07, 2023 at 03:39 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Pictorial Video Tribute



Hayhurst Funeral Home - November 07, 2023 at 03:07 PM

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“ *It was an honor to know Bill. He always had the most fabulous and detailed stories from his travels, even when they were from over 50 years ago! He will be missed so much. My condolences to Nelda and the whole family.*

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**Michele Singleton** - November 06, 2023 at 05:08 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Bill Shoemaker.*



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November 06, 2023 at 10:38 AM

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“ *Love, Jim and Margaret purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Bill Shoemaker.*



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**Love, Jim and Margaret** - November 04, 2023 at 05:49 PM



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Hayhurst Funeral Home - November 03, 2023 at 04:39 PM



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



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Hayhurst Funeral Home - November 03, 2023 at 12:31 PM