



Dewey Ballew

February 23, 1931 - July 19, 2018

Services honoring the life of Dewey Gene Ballew will be 11:00 a.m, Thursday, July 26, 2018 at Hayhurst Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow at Tahlequah City Cemetery. Friends may visit the funeral home on Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Dewey was born on February 23, 1931 in Cookson, Oklahoma to Pat and Ruby (Gay) Ballew. Dewey passed away on Thursday, July 19, 2018 in Tulsa, Oklahoma at the age of 87.

After graduating from high school from Tahlequah Central High in May 1948, Dewey enlisted in the United States Army where he proudly served in the Korean War Conflict with the 45th Infantry. After his military service, Dewey graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Education from Northeastern State College in 1956. Dewey worked as a teacher/coach of girls basketball in Severy, Kansas until he earned a doctorate degree in Dentistry from University of Missouri Kansas City in 1963. Dewey opened his own dental practice in Broken Arrow in 1963 which he operated for 51 years until his retirement.

On May 16, 1953 Dewey married the love of his life, Ruth Maxine Hosman in Tahlequah, Oklahoma. Their union was blessed with four children. Dewey was a wonderful husband, father and grandfather. He adored his family and loved spending time with them.

Dewey was active in several clubs and organizations in Broken Arrow which included the BA Jaycees, BA Lions Club and Broken Arrow Dentist who would

complete Missions of Guatemala.

In his free time, Dewey loved hunting, fishing, boating and flying. He was a pilot and a member of the Flying Dentist club. Dewey also enjoyed golf and traveling overseas.

Memorials may be made to Folds of Honor, <https://www.foldsofhonor.org/donate/>

Dewey is survived by,

Children, Brent Ballew and wife Lin, Tahlequah, OK

Brenda Griffin and husband Greg, Broken Arrow, OK Linda Newkirk and husband Shawn, Broken Arrow, OK

Grandchildren, Tommy, Heather (Brian), Kendra, Brian (Kim), Eric (Amanda), Keeley, Sasha, Hunter

Great Grandchildren, Keith, Maisie, Dylan, Shawn

2 Great Great Grandchildren, Lexy, Abby

Dewey was preceded in death by his parents, wife Maxine, son Kenneth and great granddaughter Danielle.

Cemetery Details

Tahlequah Cemetery

Tahlequah, OK

Previous Events

Viewing

JUL 25. 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home
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Funeral Service

JUL 26. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Dewey Ballew*

October 23, 2023 at 01:21 AM



“ *Lea & Bill Fultz, Tommy Devlin Family, Jon Devlin purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Dewey Ballew.*



Lea & Bill Fultz, Tommy Devlin Family, Jon Devlin - July 24, 2018 at 09:27 PM



“ *Dr. Ballew was our family dentist for over 35 years. He will always be remembered as a man of honor, he loved his country, family and Broken Arrow. May sweet memories be yours always. Brenda, we send our sincere prayers to you and yours. Kandie, Kim, and Jeremy Fairchild*

Kandie Fairchild - July 24, 2018 at 03:29 PM



“ *Baby Girl Newkirk lit a candle in memory of Dewey Ballew*



baby girl Newkirk - July 24, 2018 at 03:24 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dewey Ballew.



July 24, 2018 at 03:13 PM



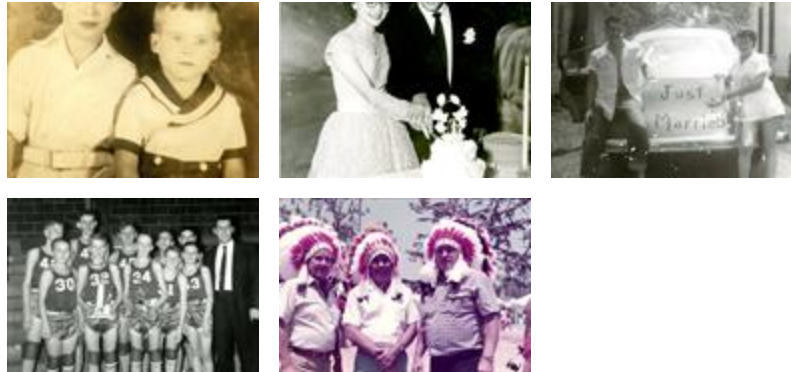
“ Shawn,Linda,Sasha,Hunter, Bri & baby girl Newkirk purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Dewey Ballew.



Shawn,Linda,Sasha,Hunter, Bri & baby girl Newkirk - July 23, 2018 at 11:14 AM



“ 20 files added to the album Memories Album



Hayhurst Funeral Home - July 23, 2018 at 10:21 AM

LH

“ At one time I babysat with two of his grandchildren, Eric and Keeley, and that is how I met Dr. Ballew, and he became our family dentist, and more important, a friend. He and Maxine were a special couple, so blessed to have known them both. I will keep all of you in my thoughts and prayers.

Linda Haslett

Linda Haslett - July 23, 2018 at 07:06 AM

BB

“ Brent Ballew lit a candle in memory of Dewey Ballew



Brent Ballew - July 22, 2018 at 07:42 PM

LB

“ Linda Ballew lit a candle in memory of Dewey Ballew



Linda Ballew - July 22, 2018 at 07:41 PM

RL

“ Dr Ballew was my dentist for years . I still remember when Maxcine worked alone side of him in the office . He is now reunited with her in heaven . Thank u for ur service Dr Ballew !

robbie loyd - July 22, 2018 at 09:29 AM

SB

“ *Shawn Linda Sasha Hunter Bri lit a candle in memory of Dewey Ballew*



Shawn Linda Sasha Hunter Bri - July 21, 2018 at 09:27 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dewey Ballew.*



July 21, 2018 at 04:23 PM

HH

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



Hayhurst Funeral Home - July 20, 2018 at 09:30 AM