



Roy L. Merrill

May 31, 1937 - June 8, 2018

A Memorial Service for Roy Lee Merrill has been scheduled for 1:00 PM, Tuesday, June 12, 2018 at Grace Bible Church in Muskogee, Oklahoma under the direction of Hayhurst Funeral Home.

Roy was born in El Paso, Texas on May 31, 1937, the adopted son of Roy and Dixie (Hall) Merrill. He died in Tulsa, Oklahoma on Friday, June 8, 2018. He was 81 years of age.

Roy was a graduate of Sherman High School in Sherman, Texas. He completed a degree in chemistry from Austin College, also in Sherman. After working in Dallas, Texas and Lansing, Michigan, he worked as the Chief Clinical Chemist for the Clinical Laboratory in Muskogee, Oklahoma for 33 years. While at college he met and later married the love of his life, the former Miss Lynne Elizabeth Evans on June 11, 1960 in Dallas, Texas. In college he had a band and played the drums, stand up base, and coronet. He had an air conditioning, heating and refrigeration business on the side, loved camping and boating and restored a 1967 Camaro with his sons which they both drove in high school. Roy was a craftsman, building toys for his grandkids and restoring and refinishing furniture. Roy and Lynne both accepted Jesus Christ as their personal savior at the age of 26. He loved to study the Bible, especially prophecy. He led Bible classes at Grace Bible Church and after moving from Muskogee to Broken Arrow was a member of the Seniors Sunday School Class at First Baptist Church. He loved spending time with his

family and was the source of much laughter while playing Catch Phrase. Roy and Lynne would have celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary on June 11th. Their marriage was always a godly example to their children and grandchildren.

The last few months of his earthly life were challenging as he spent time in several different medical facilities but his spirits were high, he never complained and was more concerned about others around him than for himself. The family would like to express their appreciation to all the medical professionals and staff who so lovingly saw to his care. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Clarehouse, 7617 S. Mingo Rd., Tulsa, OK 74133 or Gideons International, P.O. Box 97251, Washington, DC, 20090.

Roy is survived by,

Wife, Lynne Merrill, Broken Arrow, OK

Sons, David Merrill and wife Barbara, Tulsa, OK

Steve Merrill and wife Lori, Edmond, OK

Grandchildren, Joshua and Haley Merrill, Jonathan and Kelly Merrill, and Brooke and Asher Griffin

He was preceded in death by his parents and his stepfather, Ned Thomas, whom he loved very much.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUN 12. 1:00 PM (CT)

Grace Bible Church, Muskogee
4321 E. Hancock St.
Muskogee, OK 74403

Tribute Wall



“ Roy L. Merrill

October 23, 2023 at 01:21 AM



“ I will never forget my years growing up with Roy Merrill as my Sunday School teacher. I learned so much from him during those years. It was an honor to have known him. He was a wonderful person.

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Roy L. Merrill.



June 11, 2018 at 10:36 AM



“ What a precious man Roy was to all who who knew him. Roy will be greatly missed but how exciting to know he's with Jesus now!!! This isn't goodbye, it's I'll see you later.

Love you all,
Jennifer Hughes Groover

Jennifer Groover - June 10, 2018 at 06:24 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Roy L. Merrill.*



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



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