



Billy Joe Lawrence

February 16, 1925 - September 23, 2016

Billy Joe Lawrence of Mead, Oklahoma passed from this life on September 23, 2016 at his home, at the age of 91 years, 7 months and 7 days. Billy was born on February 16, 1925 in Durant, OK to William B. and Georgia "Evelyn" (Slaughter) Lawrence.

Billy graduated from Durant High School and attended Southeastern Oklahoma State University. Billy joined the United States Army on December 2, 1942. He fought in World War II and also in the Korean War. He served his country and had Five Bronze Stars. He started his Army career in the horse cavalry. He landed on Normandy Beach and marched on Berlin when it was announced the war had ended. He was there during the Storming of Normandy. He retired as Sergeant Major in August 1980. Billy enjoyed hunting and fishing, especially trout fishing on the Blue River.. He was a member of Mead Baptist Church and served as Deacon. He was very involved and loved his church family. He was also a Sunday school teacher. He will be greatly missed by all that knew and loved him.

Billy was preceded in death by his parents, William B. and Evelyn Lawrence; his wife of 42 years, Nita Lawrence, wife of 14 years, Betty Lawrence; brothers, Dub Lawrence and Roy Lawrence; sister, Maxine Palmer; sons, Roy Hobbs and Wayne Hobbs; and grandson, Brandon Proctor.

Billy is survived by his daughters, Ann Curtis and husband, Rodney of Guthrie, Billie Proctor and husband Lyndell of Mead, and Mary Carroll and husband Jimmy of Milburn; 8 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held 10:00 AM, Tuesday, September 27, 2016 at Browns Funeral Home Chapel in Durant with Rev. Kerry Groce officiating. Interment will follow in Highland Cemetery, with Military Honors conducted by The United States Army Honor Guard. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM Monday evening.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.brownsfuneralservice.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Brown's Funeral Service, Durant.

Cemetery Details

Highland Cemetery

1620 Cemetery Rd
Durant, OK

Previous Events

Family Visitation

SEP **26**. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Brown's Funeral Service - Durant
4900 West US Hwy 70
Durant, OK 74701
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Chapel Service

SEP **27**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Billy Joe Lawrence*

January 08, 2023 at 11:32 PM



“ *We salute your veteran. Our condolences for your loss & gratitude for your loved one's service to our country. May your memories & God's love bring you peace, comfort & strength at this difficult time. Death leaves a heartache no one can heal but LOVE leaves a memory no one can steal.*



Larry & Lana Hurt (Patriot Guard Riders) - September 26, 2016 at 05:11 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Billy Joe Lawrence.*



September 26, 2016 at 01:25 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Billy Joe Lawrence.*



September 26, 2016 at 11:54 AM

TD

“ Tom, Gail, Bill, Delcine, Dana. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Billy Joe Lawrence.



Tom, Gail, Bill, Delcine, Dana. - September 26, 2016 at 10:55 AM

GT

“ Griffin Finance Team purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of Billy Joe Lawrence.



Griffin Finance Team - September 26, 2016 at 09:34 AM

BW

“ Barbara & Larry Wright purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Billy Joe Lawrence.



Barbara & Larry Wright - September 26, 2016 at 09:05 AM

ME

“ Please accept our deepest sympathy. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Dan and Mary England

Mary England - September 25, 2016 at 10:30 PM