



## Jack Woodfin Small

December 13, 1915 - February 18, 2009

Jack Woodfin Small was born December 13, 1915 in Byers, Ok, the son of James and Minnie (Woodfin) Small. He was raised and schooled in Durant. Following graduation Jack attended Southeastern State University where he received a degree in business. While in college, Jack played football and met his future wife, Sue.

On September 14, 1940 Jack was united in marriage to Sue Bernice Kent in Sevier County, Arkansas. The couple was blessed with two children, SuAnne and John.

During World War 11 Jack served in the United States Army Air Corps. He was stationed at Randolph Field in Texas and also at Liberal, Kansas as a pilot training other to fly large bombers, including the B-29 Superfortress. After the war Jack took a job with a seismographic company doing oil exploration. In 1950 the family settled back in Durant where Jack operated or partnered in several different businesses. He owned and operated the Dairy Queen for many years. He also owned the Durant Motel and later was a partner in the Budget Inn Motel and Restaurant. Jack continued working well into his 80's

only retiring when his health began to decline.

Following the death of his wife Jack moved to Alexandria, Minnesota to be closer to his daughter.

In Jack's younger years he enjoyed boating and water skiing. He worked as a referee for basketball and football games in Oklahoma. Jack also loved flying and flew regularly until the 1970's. Jack was very active in the Northwest Church of Christ. He served his church several years as a deacon. Jack also enjoyed fishing, golfing and going hunting; he especially liked to hunt for quail.

On Wednesday, February 18, 2009 Jack died at the age of 93. He was preceded in death by his wife, Sue; two brothers, Joe and Art Small and his sister, Marie Green. Jack is survived by his daughter SuAnne Anderson and husband Charlie of Alexandria, MN; son, John Small and wife Tina of Durant; grandchildren, Bret Small, Marisa Small, Robert Anderson and Beck Spenger; great grandchildren, Zac Sprenger, Lukas Sprenger, Mia Small and Maddox Small.

Services will be held on Tuesday, February 24th, 10:00 A.M. at Brown's Funeral Service Chapel. Andy Burns will officiate. Interment will be in Blackland Cemetery near Foreman, Arkansas. The family will receive friends at the Funeral Home today from 6-8 PM. Condolences may be sent to the

family at [www.brownsfuneralservice.com](http://www.brownsfuneralservice.com).

Brown's Funeral Service, Durant is handling the arrangements.

PDF Printable Version

# Tribute Wall



“ *Jack Woodfin Small*

---

January 08, 2023 at 11:32 PM



“ *John, I am sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

*Linda*

---

**Linda Townsend** - February 23, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family at this time. I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your wonderful father.*

*He was a great man.*

*I love you all... sissy*

---

**Kelly Shepard** - February 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM