

Dr. Vergil Don Smith

Services for Dr. Vergil Don Smith, 82, of Marietta will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, December 13 in the Marietta School Auditorium with Rev. Tommy Hagle officiating. Interment will follow in Lakeview Cemetery, Marietta.

Born December 10, 1930 in Seminole, the son of Vergil Eagon and Nathamay Brown Smith, he died Monday, December 9, 2013 near his home in Marietta.

A 1948 graduate of Claremore High School, he then attended Oklahoma A&M. He also graduated from the College of Osteopathic Medicine of Kansas City, Missouri in 1961. As a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine, Dr. Smith practiced one year in Tulsa and then moved to Marietta in 1963. In addition to practicing here for 50 years, he was instrumental in getting a hospital for Marietta. In 1995/96 Dr. Smith was honored as the O.A.P.A Physician of the Year and in 2001 was recognized as a life member of the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association.

As a veteran of the Korean Conflict, he served in the United States Air Force as a radio repairman. In 1971 he received his pilot's license and in 1992 his commercial pilot training and commercial license instrument rating. In 2003 Dr. Smith received CE-500 citation jet training. In addition, he was recognized by the FAA as a certified medical examiner.

Dr. Smith and the former Marilyn Howland were married in Oklahoma City on January 15, 2005.

Preceding him in death were his parents; his wife, Judy Smith on September 27, 2001 and a brother, Tommy Lee Smith.

Survivors include his wife, Marilyn of the home; four sons and daughter-in-law, Sam Smith of Dallas, Richard Smith of Ardmore, David and Diane Smith of Nashville, Tennessee and Luke Smith of Sikeston, Missouri; four daughters and sons-in-law, Cindy and Randy Johnson of Ardmore, Susan and Kenneth Kozak of Sherman, Texas, Sandra and Tom Robison of Sikeston and Brooke Chapman of Marietta; a stepson, Ryan and Kari Fieszel of Mustang; two stepdaughters, Ginny and Robert Davis and Stephanie and Jake Lippert, all of Oklahoma City; a brother and sister-in-law, Jerry and Gayle Smith of Kansas City, Kansas; two sisters and brother-in-law, Judy Eagleton of Claremore and Nancy and Joe Bradshaw of Roff; 17 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews and the family dog, Mister Squire.

Serving as pallbearers will be Sam Smith, Richard Smith, David Smith, Luke Smith, Richard Barker and Robin Smith. Honorary bearers will be the staff of Mercy Health Love County and Mercy Health Love County Rural Health Clinic and his many patients and friends.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Love County Health Center Foundation, 300 Wanda St., Marietta, OK 73448.

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