



Bill Berry

June 4, 1921 - December 9, 2012

Bill Berry a resident of Henryetta passed away on December 9, 2012 in Henryetta at the age of 91. Born June 4, 1921 in Okmulgee, Ok to John W and Beulah (Browning) Berry. He graduated from Hitchita High School in 1939. On November 8, 1939 Bill enlisted in Battery "E", 189th FA. 45ths Division, National Guard. His unit was federalized in Sept. 1940 and entered into WWII. He then served as a navigator with the 409th Bomb Group stationed in Laon France. He returned from the war in 1945 and enrolled in Southeastern State University in Durant. On December 22, 1945 at the First Baptist Church in Ft. Smith, AR he married Louise Londagin in which they have been married now for 65 years.

Bill worked for the Veterans Adm for a year then returned back to Southeastern State graduating in 1949 in the top 10 % of his class. Bill took his first job after graduations as a Field Engineer for the State Health Department in Bristow after having completed training at Okmulgee Tech and weekends in Stillwater to be a sanitarian for Creek County. During the summers Bill helped out at the Bristow Post office delivering mail. In 1955 he filled in at the Post Office and discovered he enjoyed that so much he spent the next 26 years delivering mail. After retirement the Berry's decided to return to Okmulgee County Where they purchased a home and have been here for the past 16 years. They joined the Henryetta First Baptist Church where he served as a deacon and they served together on the bereavement committee helping out many families with a meal and fellowship.

Bill's hobbies included reading, mostly history and biblical books and also enjoyed working on the two cylinder John Deere tractors. He has been a "Gideon" for many years, a master mason having entered into Masonry in 1956. He still maintains his membership at the Tulsa Consistory where he became active in 1987. He and Louise are both members of the Eastern Star. Bill is preceded in death by his parents, Brothers Brownie and William Berry , a sister Lina Lee Parker and brother in law Jimmy Lee Londgain
Survived by his wife Louise of the home.

Brother: Hovert Berry of Ft Smith

Sister: Joyce Shannon of Marshall, TX

many nieces and nephews

Sister in laws: Polly Gossage of Henryetta

Sue Stinson of Birmingham, Al

June Matlock of Inola,OK

Pat Simmons of Inola

Services will be 2:00pm, Wednesday, December 12, 2012 at the Henryetta First Baptist Church with Rev. Jim Paslay officiating. Interment will follow at the Westlawn Cemetery with full military honors by the United States Air Force. Services are under the direction of the Rogers Funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Westlawn Cemetery

2800 West Main
Henryetta, OK 74437

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 11. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Rogers Funeral Home
1302 West Main Street
Henryetta, OK 74437
(918) 650-9090
rogersfh@aol.com
<https://www.rogersfuneralhomeinc.com>

Service

DEC 12. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church
420 W Trudgeon
Henryetta, OK 74437
(918) 652-4277
<http://henryettafbc.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Rogers Funeral home created a Tribute Video in memory of Bill Berry*



Rogers Funeral Home - December 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GR

“ *Greg, Cindy And Ramsey Rector lit a candle in memory of Bill Berry*



Greg, Cindy and Ramsey Rector - December 12, 2012 at 01:04 PM

SP

“ *Stephanie Pigeon lit a candle in memory of Bill Berry*



stephanie pigeon - December 11, 2012 at 04:05 PM

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“ *Mr. Berry was a wonderful man. My prayers go out for the family. Mr. Berry was very supportive of the youth drama group when I was in school. He always called me by my name and encouraged me in church. His memory will live on forever with me. May you rest in peace with our amazing Father Mr. Berry. God bless.*

Jenna Quick-Alexander

Jenna Alexander - December 10, 2012 at 10:09 PM