



Richard E. "Dick" Kilmer

August 11, 1920 - March 30, 2014

Richard Edwin Kilmer

Richard E. "Dick" Kilmer went to be with his Lord on March 30, 2014 at the age of 93. Dick was born August 11, 1920 to Homer and Helen Kilmer being the first of 9 children. He was raised and schooled in Binghamton, New York. He entered the army in January 1943 receiving his military training at Fort Lewis, Washington and Camp Gruber, Oklahoma in the 42nd Infantry "Rainbow" division in the Military Police platoon. His unit left the states for European duty in France, Germany and Austria from December 1944 to December 1945. After his discharge in February 1946, he moved to Bartlesville in July. Dick worked for Phillips Petroleum as an analyst in the Gas and Gas Liquids Department from 1946 until his retirement in February 1984. Shortly after his move to Bartlesville Dick married Elizabeth "Betty" Bradford and adopted her 2 children Steve & Barbara Jean. To this union was born one son Richard Bradford.

In October of 1969 Dick married Melba Harris and their marriage continued until her passing in July 2006. Dick & Melba enjoyed traveling and spent many Summers visiting New York, Florida, California and Canada. Dick was a sports enthusiast and participated in years past in bowling, softball, and golf. He had a particular love for the St. Louis Cardinals and passed many hours cheering them on. Dick and Melba were members of the Tuxedo Assembly of God since 1975 and loved being part of that church family.

Dick is survived by his son Rich Kilmer and wife Becky and their daughters

Abbey Wilks and Emily Patterson all of Broken Arrow, OK. His daughter Barbara Jean Martin of Oregon, Step-daughter Anita Martin of Bartlesville, sister Florence Fuller of Windsor, NY, and brother Paul Kilmer and his wife Marilyn of Hermitage, TN. He was preceded in death by his wife Melba, son Steve, parents, 5 brothers and 1 sister.

Dick enjoyed his last years living in the Tallgrass Estates in Bartlesville where he enjoyed sitting on his balcony “watching the world pass by” according to him. He passed from this life in the Claremore Veterans Center. Dick was always proud to have served his country in the military service during WWII and to have been part of the “Greatest Generation” . Many of his mementos from his military service have been donated by his family in his honor to the 42nd Rainbo Division Museum at Camp Gruber Oklahoma where he began his military service.

Funeral services will be held at 2 P.M. on Friday, April 4, 2014 at the Dewey Cemetery Pavilion with Rev. Mike Harris officiating and directed by the Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory. Dick will be buried in the Dewey Cemetery next to his wife with military honors accorded by the James H. Teel American Legion Post # 105.

A memorial fund has been established and contributions may be sent to Transitions Life Care Hospice, 1515 E. 71st Street, Suite 100, Tulsa, Okla, 74136.

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Rich and Becky, we send our love and sympathy. We know Uncle Dick is in the presence of His Savior. So glad we were able to see him in November.*

Marlin and Donna Fuller - April 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ *We had the privilege of knowing Dick. He was always a kind, gentle and friendly man who loved the Lord. We will have happy memories of him. You, his family, are very blessed to have the legacy of this wonderful man. Hugs and prayers for all of you,*

Howard and Joyce

Howard and Joyce Brecheisen - April 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ *We are deeply saddened for the family of Richard. May the memories of love and laughter bring you comfort during these times.*

Staff at Stumpff Funeral Home - April 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM