
J. R. Sturgeon

85, a long time resident of Caney, Kansas, most recently living in Lincoln, Arkansas, passed away December 8, 2013 at the Willard Walker Hospice in Fayetteville, Arkansas. He was born August 25, 1928 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma the son of Richard Harold and Beulah Emmaline (Gibson) Sturgeon. He married Ella Mae Hinshaw and they later divorced. Then he married Gloria (Milner) Spaid.

J.R. graduated from Ames High School in Ames, Oklahoma. He was an avid horseman and was a member of the Oil Capital and Turley Round-up Clubs near Tulsa, Oklahoma. He enjoyed training and showing horses. He worked as an off-set printer operator during his career and taught off-set printing at Tri-County Vo-Tech in Bartlesville, Oklahoma and Indian Meridan Vo-Tech in Stillwater, Oklahoma. He earned a degree from Oklahoma State University later in his life.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother, Robert Gerald Sturgeon, and his wife, Gloria.

He is survived by three daughters, Cheryl Christian (Mike) of Manhattan, Kansas, Sandra Higgins (David) of Lincoln, Arkansas, and Jeanette McKinzie (Ed) of Conroe, Texas. Step-children, Bill Spaid (Luanna) of Stillwater, Oklahoma, Patty Young (David) of Caney, Kansas. Grandchildren: Sydney Cooper (Jesse) of Castro Valley, California, Wade Christian of Breckenridge, Colorado, Mandy Butler (Matt) of Harveyville, Kansas, J. D. Higgins (Jamie) of Stilwell, Oklahoma, Dustin Higgins (Carman) of Summers, Arkansas, Philip Petty (Sherry) of Gulfport, Mississippi, Pamela Jones (Max) of Corpus Christi, Texas, and Step-grandchildren, Charee McGovern, and Chandee Hawk (Allen) of Nowata, Oklahoma, Tracie Jabben (Jared), and Travis Young of Caney, Kansas, and eleven great-grand children. Two sisters, Judy Blair (G.) Of Carthage, Texas and Joyce Collins (Ken) of Abilene, Texas.



APPRECIATION

On behalf of the family, we wish to express their gratitude for your many acts of kindness, and for your attendance at the funeral service.

**Luginbuel Funeral Home
Prairie Grove, Arkansas**

online guest book, visit www.luginbuel.com



J. R. Sturgeon

August 25, 1928 - December 8, 2013

"I'm Free"

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took his hand when I heard Him call,
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Task left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void,
Fill it now with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I've savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free.

TWENTY THIRD PSALM

The LORD is my Shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth
me in the paths of righteousness for
his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the
valley of the shadow of death, I will
fear no evil: for thou art with me: thy
rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me
in the presence of mine enemies: thou
anointest my head with oil; my cup
runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall
follow me all the days of my life: and
I will dwell in the house of the LORD
forever.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE & MEMORY OF
J. R. Sturgeon

DATE, TIME & PLACE OF MEMORIAL SERVICE
Saturday, January 18, 2014 - Sunnyside Cemetery - Caney, Kansas

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude Music

Opening Remarks

Bob Clemence
Pastor - Caney United Methodist Church

Prayer

Words of Comfort

Closing Prayer

"Go Rest High On That Mountain"

Vince Gill

"The Last Cowboy Song"

Ed Bruce

Family Memories

Postlude Music

Friends and Family are welcome to meet and visit at the Masonic Lodge at
302 North McGee - Caney, KS immediately following the graveside service.
