



## Jerry Melvin Gentry

April 5, 1939 - November 11, 2019

Jerry Melvin Gentry, a resident of Norman was born April 5, 1939 in Sulphur, Oklahoma to Irbie W. & Sarah Courtney (Rainbolt) Gentry. He passed away peacefully at his Norman home, under Hospice care, November 11, 2019 at the age of 80 years 7 months and 6 days. Jerry graduated from Sulphur High School in 1957 and married Betty Lou Byers on May 17, 1958. Together they had two sons, Chris and Colin.

After thirteen years living in Dallas, where he worked as a Dallas Police officer and in a variety of sales positions, the family settled in Norman in 1973 where he continued sales for Al Salyer Cadillac and Cochran Chemical Company. Jerry taught himself college chemistry in order to analyze oil extraction and injection chemicals.

Determined and with an entrepreneurial spirit, Jerry had an extensive resume over his career, owning many business, including Aladdin Carpet Cleaning, Aladdin Restoration, Aladdin Distributing and Worktools as an (Authorized dealer for Cornwell Quality Tools) all in Norman. He had also worked as a Funeral Director in Sulphur for several years.

Jerry and Betty enjoyed many wonderful adventures together in their sixty-one years of marriage and they loved their frequent get-aways at their little lake cabin in Sulphur, where they enjoyed fishing and bird watching. Jerry loved to travel, woodworking, carpentry and relaxing with special friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Courtney and Irbie Gentry  
siblings: James Gentry and Kenneth Gentry

He is survived by: his wife Betty Gentry of Norman, OK

Son: Chris Gentry & his wife Sylvia of Lakewood, CO

Granddaughter: Christin and her husband Michael and their children, Michael & Adley of Norman, OK

Son: Colin Gentry and his wife Michale, their children Dylan & Joslyn of Norman, Ok.

Sister: Ann Earhart of Middleothian, TX Brother: Terry Gentry & wife Barbara of Nashville, TN as well as many special nieces and nephews.

Services: will be Saturday November 16, 2019 at 2:00PM DeArman Funeral Chapel in Sulphur, OK, with Rev. Jim Shepherd and Clem Santine officiating

Blessings from family and friends are welcome.

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