



"Buddy" Raymond Carroll Tidwell

October 15, 1942 - May 25, 2020

"Buddy", Raymond Carroll Tidwell, age 77, passed from this life on May 25, 2020 in Ardmore, Oklahoma. Buddy was born on October 15, 1942 in Childress, Texas to Dee and Monnie Wright Tidwell. He was a graduate of Milburn High School and after graduation went on to serve our country in the United States Navy. Buddy married the love of his life, Willie Mae Mann, on June 26, 1964 and spent 56 years of marriage together until her passing just a few short months ago. He spent his working years doing maintenance work at the Tishomingo Golf Course and then went on to work at Murray State College until his retirement. Most importantly, Buddy was a minister; he loved sharing the word of God, adored relationships with people and never met a stranger. A man who loved his family deeply and never wanted to miss a chance of seeing everyone at a good ole family union. Buddy and Willie had the best times together and were truly best friends. They sang together, played the piano, loved bird watching, which Buddy could tell you just about every bird there was and going to the family cabin in Red River. He was an avid OU and Dallas Cowboy football fan, so if those games were on you could bet you could find him in front of the TV watching them. Heaven gained another angel and Buddy is back with his best friend and bride again.

Buddy is preceded in death by his beautiful bride, Willie Mae Tidwell; parents, Dee and Monnie Tidwell; brothers, J.R. and Clark Tidwell.

Those he leaves to cherish his memories are his children, Bryan Tidwell and wife Rhonda of Ardmore, LaVena Reed of Madill, Vonda Blue of Ardmore; grandchildren, Chase Jewell, Kathrine Myers, Jessica Wickware, Monnie Jewel Reed; 3 great grandchildren; 3 sisters, Curly Ross of Borger, TX, Alice McBride of Sherman, TX and Gayle Dollar of Tishomingo; 1 brother, Gene Tidwell of Ontario, CA and a host of nieces, nephews and friends who will deeply miss him.

Funeral Services to honor and celebrate the life of Buddy will be held on Friday, May 29, 2020 at 11:00 AM at the Abundant Life Cathedral in Tishomingo. Interment to follow at Russett Cemetery. Family hour will be Thursday from 5:00 - 7:00 at DeArman-Clark Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Russett Cemetery

Previous Events

Family & Friends

MAY 28. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

DeArman - Clark Funeral Home
305 E. Main
Tishomingo, OK 73460
(580) 371-2338
dearmanclarkfh@gmail.com
<https://www.dearmanfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

MAY 29. 11:00 AM (CT)

Abundant Life Cathedral
Tishomingo, OK 73460

Tribute Wall



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LAVENA REED - May 28, 2020 at 11:09 AM



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LaVena Reed - May 27, 2020 at 02:46 PM



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WM

“ Buddy was a very kind and caring person. He always had a smile and a kind word. Rest in peace Buddy.



Willene Malone - May 27, 2020 at 12:24 PM

AM

“ Precious memories of the years we spent as children, young adults, married with families of our own, spending vacations together, preaching and singing at revivals, laughing at the silliest things, crying at the important ones, being together fishing spending time with our other siblings, and relatives at reunions ALL FLOOD MY SOUL baby brother as I type this and say so long until we are reunited at the FAMILY REUNION on streets of gold in heaven. Your smile, your humor will be missed ant the love for your family and your LORD will always be a legacy to cherish by your loved ones. I know you are singing in the heavenly choir with your Willie Mae . I miss you my baby brother Buddy no one will ever fill that place in my heart for you.

ALICE MCBRIDE - May 27, 2020 at 11:59 AM

DF

“ That smile was always on his precious face!! He loved God and his Family more than anything!! I loved how his face would light up when you mentioned anything about his Family coming over or them getting together!!

He was definitely a role model for all of us!! I have three quilts that I bought from Willie and I will cherish them forever because I know the love that she put in them!! Buddy and Willie were what I would call “The Perfect Couple!”

I pray that God will carry their Children, Grandchildren and Siblings, Friends through this sad hard time!! We know that they are rejoicing on the streets of gold and completely made whole , but we will miss them here on earth!! God Bless!!



Deborah Foster - May 27, 2020 at 10:02 AM

BW

“ Always a smile and always the first to shake your hand or say hello. He always made a person feel welcome. I will remember his kind soft voice.

Brad Walters - May 26, 2020 at 06:52 PM

RR

“ Very fond memories of our Uncle Buddy. So many great stories, singing around the piano, his infectious laughter and love for the Lord. Our son Cole shared a memory yesterday about Uncle Buddy trying to convince him that RC Cola was named after him, Raymond Carol. He was always trying to make others happy. All our love, George, Rhonda, and Cole Register.

Rhonda Register - May 26, 2020 at 03:26 PM

AH

“ *Brother tidwell you touch many people in this world and Im so thankful that God put you in my path you will always have a special place in my heart you always had a smile on your face no matter what we will always love you and your sweet wife you are with her again but most of all you are with the lord see you again went we met in heaven I was blessed to been your cna addie Hall*

Addie Hall - May 26, 2020 at 12:50 PM