



Jerry Wesley Pool

March 1, 1939 - March 15, 2018

Funeral Services for Mr. Jerry W. Pool, 79, of Durant, Oklahoma will be held on Saturday, March 24, 2018 at 2:00 p. m. in the Herb Clark Memorial Chapel in Tishomingo, Oklahoma with Brother Russell Newville officiating. Interment will follow in the Tishomingo Cemetery. Mr. Pool passed away on March 15, 2018 at his home. Jerry Wesley Pool was born on March 1, 1939 in Durant, Oklahoma to Hansford Pool and Thelma Oleta (Hamilton) Pool. He was a 1957 graduate of Compton High School in California and later received a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Oklahoma. Interested in journalism and photography, he spent the first 20 years of his career as a newspaper reporter, columnist and editor. He was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize for his work reporting the McAlester, Oklahoma Prison Riot of 1973. The second 20 years of his career were spent working for non-profit agencies. Big Five Community Action Agency in Durant and Little Dixie Community Action Agency in Hugo, Oklahoma. His work with Empowerment Zones/Enterprise Communities earned him an invitation to lunch at the White House in Washington, DC with Bill Clinton and Al Gore in 1998. He enjoyed many vacations to Las Vegas, Nevada, where his relatives from California and Oklahoma met each year for family reunions. Jerry was preceded in death by his father, Hansford Pool in 1974, his brother, Bill Pool in 1986, his daughter, Sheryle Pool Steidley in 2000, and his mother, Thelma Pool Baugh in 2009. He is survived by his daughter, Kim Brugger and husband Brad of Tulsa, Oklahoma, his son, Larry Pool and wife Jeannie of Fort Smith, Arkansas, his

son, Kevin Pool and wife Katrina of McKinney, Texas and stepson, Matthew Faubion of San Antonio, Texas. He is also survived by eleven grandchildren, Tiffanie, Josh, Breanna, Bailey, Wesley, Heather, Jay, Lori, Melissa, Andrew and Alan; twenty great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

Tribute Wall



“ *Jerry Wesley Pool*

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