



Jodie Modell Parker

April 28, 1926 - July 19, 2016

Jodie Modell Parker, 90, was born April 28, 1926 in Sulphur, Ok and departed this life July 19, 2016 in Oklahoma City. Jodie was born to Cora and Joseph Parker in Sulphur, where he spent his formative years. He grew up on his family's land, helping out on what he referred to as "Pop's Farm." He was a full-blood member of the Choctaw Nation. Jodie was toughened by his years growing up during the Great Depression, proudly telling his grandchildren about the days of having to walk barefoot to school three miles because they could not afford shoes. He graduated from Sulphur High School in 1947. At the age of 17, and with a "minor's release" signed by his pop, Jodie enlisted in the United States Navy where he proudly served as a Motor Machinist Mate aboard LSM-163. Honorable service included tours in the Philippines and Mariana Islands during World War II. Upon his return from the war, Jodie met fellow Sulphur resident, Lila Meeks. They eloped and were married in Gainesville, TX on April 11, 1947. The couple moved to Oklahoma City upon being married. They welcomed their first daughter, Donna, in 1949. After taking employment with the Oklahoma Indian Department, Jodie and his family moved to Muskogee where his second daughter, Vickie, was born in 1950. Jodie later moved on to work for the Civil Service. His job took him on the road, working on antennas and various electronic equipment for the U.S. Government. He relished his years on the road and enjoyed sharing his stories and experiences for years to come. In 1982, after 34 years of federal service, Jodie retired from the Federal Aviation Administration's Mike

Monroney Aeronautical Center in OKC. He had previously spent several years working electronics on F-4 Phantom fighter jets at Tinker Air Force Base. Jodie will always be remembered as being quite the talker. He loved his morning routine of gathering with his buddies at the coffee shop. Workers in the hardware store where Jodie spent countless hours buying things for household projects, knew him by name and always had a chair ready for him by the cash registers so he could sit down. When his eyesight became poor, he would sit in his chair and the staff would eagerly wait on him, bringing him whatever he needed. Jodie found the most joy in his grandchildren. More than anything, he loved attending their sporting events and school activities. Before his health would no longer allow, he also found great enjoyment in taking his bird dogs quail hunting, and going fishing with his grandkids and nephew, Randy, with whom he also took many trips to the casino. Together, Jodie and Lila enjoyed many trips to Las Vegas and Branson with friends and family. He was preceded in death by his parents Joseph and Cora Parker, 2 brothers: John & Eugene Parker, 2 sisters: Josephine & Peggy, and a half sister Susie.

Jodie is survived by his wife Lila of Okla. City: daughter Donna Rozneck and husband, Paul of Evergreen, CO: daughter Vickie Stewart and husband, Jerry of Okla. City: grandson, Jason Rozneck and wife, Malette of Edmond, OK: grandson, Adam Rozneck of Arlington, TX; granddaughter, Isabelle Stewart of Okla. City; great-granddaughters, Kennedy and Ridley Rozneck of Edmond; as well as a large and beloved extended family

Services will be Saturday July 23, 2016 at 10:00AM in the DeArman Funeral Home Chapel

with Rev. Dick Terry officiating. Interment will follow in Oaklawn Cemetery

Arrangements by DeArman Funeral Home Sulphur, OK.

Online condolences may be sent to www.dearmanfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Service

JUL **23**. 10:00 AM (CT)

DeArman Funeral Home - Sulphur

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Tribute Wall



“ *Jodie Modell Parker*

October 05, 2023 at 07:47 PM



“ *Lila,*

Just now read in the Sulphur Paper that Jodie has passed away.

I feel sad and sorry to hear about his passing.

As you know, we were neighbors during our childhood

We were never close friends but I always liked him very much!

So sorry,

Joe Albright.

Joe Albright - July 27, 2016 at 11:36 AM



“ *To our dear family members, Sorry for your loss, As a little girl at the Robeson family reunions, I remember Jodie as a very quiet man who cared deeply for the family members. Always smiling and showing a deep respect for those around him. We send our deepest sympathy. He will be greatly missed*

Scates Family (Carolyn Walker) - July 22, 2016 at 10:28 AM

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“ *Scates Family (Carolyn Walker lit a candle in memory of Jodie Modell Parker*



Scates Family (Carolyn Walker - July 22, 2016 at 10:20 AM



“ *Serene Green™ Bouquet For Sympathy was purchased for the family of Jodie Modell Parker.*



July 22, 2016 at 04:41 AM