



Kenneth Qualls

December 16, 1928 - October 19, 2024

Kenneth Qualls of Byars, Oklahoma was born December 16, 1928 in Duncan, Oklahoma to John McKinley Qualls and Effie Elizabeth (Sparks) Qualls. He passed away in his home in Byars at the age of 95 years 10 months and 3 days.

He spent his early life in the Duncan area. He spent his Jr. high years in Fox school. That was where he started boxing.

The family moved to a farm in Byars in 1946 where Kenneth helped his dad and brothers by working on the farm and every morning before school he milked the cows. In 1951 he was drafted into the Army he served our country well. He was active in artillery and even taught artillery classes. While serving in the Military he was on the boxing team and won many trophies, and boxed in the Amateur Golden Gloves Tournament. He won a trophy for being the most popular boxer. In May of 1953 he was given an Honorable discharge with rank of Sergeant.

After serving his country he went back home to the farm helping his family .

On November 28 1953 he married the love of his life Odell Boles from Rosedale. They were married 70 years at the time of his death. Kenneth and Odell lived all their married life in Byars. He was a hard working man, and taught all his children to work hard. Farming was his favorite thing to do, but as his family grew it wasn't enough, so he went to work in the Oil field.

Working for Shebester well Service for the next 25 years.

Many times he worked all night in the oilfield and would come home and get

the boys and haul hay all day. After retiring from the oilfield he planted truck patches of vegetables to sell at the Farmers Market in Ada, and Purcell. He made lots of good friends everywhere he worked.

He loved his family so very much , and was proud of them. His family loved him and was so proud to call him Daddy.

Preceded by; his parents, son Randy Qualls 3 sisters, Mildred Altom, Melba Stepp, and Jo Guinn. 3 brothers, Leroy, J.C., and Lonnie Qualls.

Survived by ; his wife Odell of the home in Byars

3 daughters; Annette Lunsford of Sulphur, Shelly Qualls & husband Jeff Holmes of Oklahoma City,

Denise O'Neal & husband Mark of Owasso, Ok. Daughter in law Anita Qualls of Vanoss.

4 sons; Mark Qualls & wife Carol of Prague, Oklahoma, John Qualls & wife Georgia of Pauls Valley, Oklahoma, James Qualls & wife Mary of Stratford, Oklahoma, and David Qualls of Byars, Oklahoma.

15 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren

1 brother; Jerry Qualls & wife Molly of Colleyville, Texas. Brother in law, Ed Boles & wife Jeanetta of Rosedale, Ok.

Pallbearers will be Grandsons; Heath Qualls, Kenneth Lunsford, Jason Qualls, Kent Qualls, Garan Qualls, and Jacob O'Neal. Honorary Pallbearers will be Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren.

Visitation will be Wednesday from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM in DeArman/Pickard Funeral Home, Stratford.

Services will be; 2:00 PM Thursday October 24, 2024 in True Life Church south of Stratford on highway 177. Officiating Rev. Matthew Brown and assisting will be grandson Heath Qualls. Interment will be in Byars cemetery Byars, Oklahoma.

Tribute Wall



“ 48 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



DeArman Funeral Home - October 22, 2024 at 06:16 PM

RH

“ Rhacheal lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Qualls



Rhacheal - October 21, 2024 at 04:58 PM

RS

“ So sorry for your loss prayers for you and your loved ones.

Ruth and Randy Stilwell - October 21, 2024 at 01:04 PM



Thank you from the Qualls family

Dave Qualls - October 21, 2024 at 01:40 PM

LR

“ *Larissa Rollings lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Qualls*



Larissa Rollings - October 21, 2024 at 07:45 AM

LR

I am so sorry for your loss . I am keeping you and your family in my thought and prayers during this difficult time .

Larissa Rollings - October 21, 2024 at 07:47 AM



Thank you from the Qualls family

Dave Qualls - October 21, 2024 at 01:40 PM

DL

Mr. Qualls was a great man who loved his family and his community. His legacy will live on through his beloved family. Sending prayers for comfort and peace during this time of loss.

Debbie (Allen) Lee - October 21, 2024 at 03:27 PM



I have such great memories of Uncle Kenneth. He had the best sense of humor and always kind and loving. My thoughts and prayers are with y'all.

Carla Hadley - October 24, 2024 at 12:08 PM

RA

We are sorry for your loss. Sending prayers for you and your family.

Robert Alberson - October 28, 2024 at 11:45 AM