



## Ronald Blackburn

December 14, 1942 - May 16, 2025

Ronald William Blackburn, 82, of Stratford, OK, passed away on May 16, 2025.

Ronald was born on December 14, 1942, to Willie (Bill) and Gladys Blackburn. He graduated from Stratford in 1962 and went on to start his career. He spent some time in road construction before finding his passion for building homes for C.A. Potter Homes, which later became his own business, Blackburn Homes. Later in life he worked part time laying tile for Jack Martin, working for Blackburn Ace Hardware, and Peach Tree Farms with his son and all of his grandchildren.

On April 11, 1964, Ronald married his high school sweetheart, Shirley Mae Potter, who passed away on March 24, 2008. Together, they raised three boys, Tim, Michael, and Chad.

Ronald was a dedicated Little League coach and umpire, a trustee at Stratford Free Will Baptist Church, a volunteer fireman for 20 years, a school board member for 17 years, and a father, grandfather, and great-grandfather.

Ronald enjoyed many things, such as playing dominoes and hunting and fishing with Lee Roy. Two years ago, Taryn got him a dog named Rocky, who he seemed to love just as much as his grandkids. He was passionate about many things, but most of all, it was his relationship with Christ, his family, and his dog Rocky.

Ronald was preceded in death by his parents William and Gladys Blackburn, his wife Shirley Blackburn, and his sisters Numa Jean, Anita, Willene and

Roberta.

He is survived by his sons Tim and wife Christy, Michael and wife Andrea, Chad and wife Kelley, all of Stratford, six grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Pallbearers; Matthew Blackburn, Jared Williams, Miko Milligan, Matt Clift, and Chris Rinehart.

Visitation; will be Monday May 19, 2025 in DeArman/Pickard Funeral Home Stratford, Ok from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

Services; will be 1:00 PM Tuesday May 20, 2025 in the Free Will Baptist Church Stratford, Oklahoma.

Officiating; Rev. Lewis Perry. Interment will follow in McGee cemetery Stratford, Oklahoma

# Tribute Wall



“ *Juanita Matthews lit a candle in memory of  
Ronald Blackburn* ”



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**Juanita Matthews** - May 20, 2025 at 07:21 PM