



Gilbert Leroy Carlson

February 14, 1925 - March 6, 2015

Funeral services for Gilbert Leroy Carlson will be 2:00 Wednesday, March 11, 2015, at the Freedom Christian Church with Pastor Mark Kinkle officiating. Interment will be in the Freedom Cemetery under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Alva.

Gilbert Leroy Carlson, son of the late Charles Leroy and Dorres (Beagley) Carlson, was born February 14, 1925, at Attica, Kansas, and passed away March 6, 2015, at Alva, Oklahoma, at the age of 90 years and 22 days.

Gilbert attended school at Enterprise School at Lookout, Oklahoma, through the 8th grade, then transferred to Freedom High School. After he graduated from high school he worked on the family farm until he married. He met Lois Maxwell of Selman and they were married February 24, 1946, in Lookout. Gilbert's brother, Leonard Carlson, performed the ceremony.

Gilbert and Lois lived in the Lookout and Freedom communities during their married life. One son, Denis Leroy Carlson, was born to this marriage. He worked for Ralph Klepinger and Melvin Patterson doing cattle work and farming. Later, Gilbert rented grass and farm land where he milked cows, raised chickens and pigs to take care of his family. He had his own horse so he helped surrounding ranchers work their cattle. He loved being a cowboy, cutting wheat, and baleing hay for himself and his neighbors.

Gilbert and his son, Denis, started farming and ranching together in 1972. Denis and Sara and their children took over the farming and ranching in 1995. Then Gilbert spent his retirement working for Rural Water District until 2008

when he retired after 30 years of service due to ill health. They later moved to Alva due to illness and necessity of medical care.

Gilbert loved his family and provided well for them. He was well known in the community and will be missed by family, friends, and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Leonard; his sister-in-law, Betty Carlson; and four brothers-in-law, Cleo Maxwell, Melvin Thompson, Ray Pantry, and Ernest Burrows.

Gilbert is survived by his wife, Lois Carlson; son, Denis Carlson and wife, Sara; grandchildren, Lynn and Tippe Bolar, Pebbles and Ky Luddington, Lonnie Bolar, Pake and Jackie Carlson, all residing in and around Freedom; 7 great granddaughters; 5 great grandsons; and four great great grandsons.

Also surviving are three sisters-in-law, BettyJo Maxwell of Rosamond, California, Joyce Thompson of Mobile, Alabama, and Zola Pantry of Oklahoma City; one brother-in-law, Donald Maxwell of Alva; a very special friend, Betty Robertson of Buffalo; other relatives and many friends.

Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to the Freedom Ambulance.

Tribute Wall



“ *Gilbert Leroy Carlson*

January 30, 2023 at 03:38 AM



“ *Denis & Sara, Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you tomorrow. My deepest sympathies, he was the best Uncle a girl could ask for. I will never forget how he stepped in like a father to me once my Dad was gone. He always called to check on me and let me know that he loved me. He was there for me many times. I am so sorry I can not be there tomorrow, but please know that I am with you in spirit. Send all my love to the family. ~ Jeanene*

Jeanene Manuel - March 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Denis, Sara and family, Prayers for your family at the passing of Gilbert. He was a good neighbor and friend in the Lookout community.*

Jim and Sherry Beagley - March 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dearest Denis and Sara, Our deepest condolences and sorrow on hearing of your dad's passing. Please find comfort in knowing others care. His friendly and caring ways, and his special grin, will always be remembered. Love you both. Leon, Rosalie, and Jerry*

Rosalie Bliss - March 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Thinking of your family at this time and the days to follow. May peace bestowed upon you. Mick and Debbie Ferguson*

March 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM