



Jack Kelsey

June 15, 1925 - April 29, 2011

Funeral services for Jack Kelsey will be at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, May 3, 2011, at Waynoka Northside Church of Christ with Gene Goben officiating. Interment will be in the Memorial Hill Cemetery under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Waynoka, LLC.

Jack Kelsey, son of the late J. Burtus and Pearl Estelle (Francis) Kelsey, was born June 15, 1925, on the family farm north of Waynoka, and passed away April 29, 2011, at Enid, Oklahoma, at the age of 85 years, 10 months, and 14 days.

Jack attended Rose Valley and Horace Mann grade schools and graduated from Waynoka High School with the Class of 1943. While in high school he was very active in FFA and received the Junior Master Farmer Degree and the National American Farmer Degree in Kansas City. After graduation, he served in the United States Army in the Philippines. On November 30, 1946, he was united in marriage to Norma Jean Hull at Wellington, Kansas. They made their home on the farm north of Waynoka where they engaged in farming and ranching.

He was a member of Northside Church of Christ, where he served as an elder.

When Jack was young, Charles Lindberg established the TAT airport across the road from their farm. This led to a lifelong love of flying. He obtained his pilots license and owned several planes during his flying career, which lasted as long as his health permitted.

In 1964, he was one of five farmers in the United States selected to go to Pakistan on a Fact-Finding Tour. He served 24 years as Board Member of Oklahoma Farmer's Union before serving as President. He also served as Vice President of National Farmers Union. He resigned both positions in 1991. He was also very active in the International Federation of Agriculture Producers, and in that capacity traveled to at least 25 countries. He was also very active and served as president of the Oklahoma Flying Farmers.

Jack and Jean lived most of their life in Waynoka except for 8 years in Bethany before recently moving to Enid. While living in Waynoka, Jack served as Mayor for five years. He also served as chairman of the Waynoka Industrial Board and the Mental Health Authority for 8 years.

Besides his parents, Jack was preceded in death by two brothers, Roscoe Kelsey and Roland Kelsey.

Jack is survived by his wife, Jean, of Enid; his son, Jeff Kelsey, of Savannah, Georgia; his granddaughter, Rachael Kelsey; other relatives and many friends.

Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to Search Television Ministry.

Tribute Wall



“ *Jack Kelsey*

January 30, 2023 at 03:38 AM



“ *I did not know Jack passed til just recently. Jack was a tremendous man, generous and kind in every way. I have the fondest memories of working with him and Jeff on the farm driving tractor and running cattle. He was very special! Jean and Jeff my thoughts and prayers are with you. With much love, Rhonda Bixler Maynard*

Rhonda Bixler Maynard - May 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *I only learned of Jack&s death today. I am so sorry for you Jean and Jeff. I remember when I was little, Jack buzzing our farm in his plane. My Dad always got such a kick out of it. As well as I! He was a remarkable man and I enjoyed his friendship for as long as I can remember. You are in my prayers With love, Sharon Whipple Sims*

sharon sims - May 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *I did not know Jack personally, but I know he was a big part of the history of Oklahoma Farmers Union for many years. I know his loss will be felt my many. You are in my thoughts and prayers for God&s comfort.*

Marilyn Sanders - May 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM