



Mackey Vernon Payton

January 6, 1926 - July 19, 2019

Funeral services for Mackey Vernon Payton will be 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 24, 2019, at the Marshall Funeral Home Chapel with Chuck Lightfoot officiating. Interment will be in the Alva Municipal Cemetery under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Alva.

Mackey Vernon Payton, son of the late William and Caltha Jessetine (Hopkins) Payton, was born January 6, 1926 in Ringling, Oklahoma and passed away July 19, 2019, at Alva, Oklahoma, at the age of 93 years, 6 months, and 13 days.

After Mack graduated from high school, he obtained his Bachelor's Degree from Southwestern Oklahoma State University in education. He later returned to Southwestern and completed his Master's Degree in Education. On April 30, 1949, he was united in marriage to Geraldine Francis Lethgo of Altus, Oklahoma. Mack also served in the Asiatic Pacific Campaign during World War II and was stationed in Japan.

In 1960, Mack and Geraldine moved from Oklahoma to Petersburg, Texas where he pursued a career in teaching. He continued to teach math and science for the next 25 years and was very admired by his former students. In 1966 Mack and Geraldine moved his family to Lubbock, Texas where they raised their two young daughters. They were long time residents of Lubbock

for the next 41 years. Mack moved to the Homestead and resided there since 2010. He enjoyed playing bingo and attending other functions with the residents there. After moving to the Homestead, Mack began to attend Bible studies with Chuck Lightfoot where he found his walk with Christ. Over the last few years, his faith grew and he was at great peace.

He was a proud member of the Choctaw Nation. He loved tinkering with old cars and always looked forward to attending the Old Car Show in Alva. He enjoyed watching western movies and loved spending time playing with his grandchildren. He also enjoyed camping and fishing and often took his family on trips to the Colorado mountains.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Geraldine; and five brothers, Robert, Lonnie, Bill, Jody, and Louis Payton.

Mack is survived by two daughters, Cynthia Self of Waynoka; and Janice Payton Hicks of Lubbock, Texas; one sister, Laverne Bailey of Temple, Texas; one sister, Laverne Bailey of Temple, Texas; two grandchildren, Jennifer Nicole Fuqua and husband, John Russell, of Waynoka, and Sydney Hicks of Boston, Massachusetts; three great grandchildren, John Colten Fuqua, Jace Hunter Fuqua, and Jorden Russell Fuqua, all of Waynoka; two nephews, David Payton of Austin, Texas, and Bill Payton and wife of Utah; one niece, Kim Payton of Utah; other relatives and friends.

Memorial contributions may be to the First Presbyterian Church of Alva.

Cemetery Details

Alva Municipal Cemetery

Flynn Street
Alva, OK 73717

Previous Events

Service

JUL **24.** 10:00 AM (CT)

Marshall Funeral Home Chapel
230 Flynn
Alva, OK

Tribute Wall



“ *Mackey Vernon Payton*

January 30, 2023 at 03:38 AM



“ *Charlotte S. lit a candle in memory of Mackey Vernon Payton*



Charlotte S. - July 23, 2019 at 09:52 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Video Tribute*



Marshall Funeral Homes - July 22, 2019 at 06:56 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mackey Vernon Payton.*



July 22, 2019 at 03:25 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mackey Vernon Payton.*



July 22, 2019 at 01:28 PM



“ *Dear Payton family (especially Cindy & family), So sorry to hear that Mack is no longer with us. He raised a beautiful family and will be greatly missed. He's with his lord and his helpmate now. Ida Evans*

Ida Evans - July 20, 2019 at 07:12 PM