



Max Floyd Bixler

July 20, 1924 - May 10, 2015

Graveside services for Max Floyd Bixler will be 2:00 p.m. Thursday, May 14, 2015, at the Memorial Hill Cemetery. Interment is under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Waynoka, LLC.

Max Floyd Bixler, the second born son of Lester Glenn and Flossie Ellen (Floyd) Bixler, was born July 20, 1924, on the family farm just north of Waynoka, and passed away May 10, 2015, at the age of 90 years, 9 months, and 20 days.

Max attended the Rose Valley School through the eighth grade and graduated from Waynoka High School with the Class of 1942. He then attended Oklahoma A&M on a Sears and Roebuck Scholarship until he was drafted for World War II in July, 1943, ending up serving in the Army Air Corps.

After he received his honorable discharge in March, 1946, that summer he went to auction school and returned to Oklahoma A&M. Max came home the spring of 1947 to help on the family farm and worked a few sales.

Max spent some time in New Mexico learning the auction business, then returned to Oklahoma where he was united in marriage to Pauline Fischer on September 5, 1948. To this union two daughters, Debra and Beth, were born. They moved northwest of Oklahoma City when Max was offered a job at the R.D. Cravens Hereford Ranch. In 1950 he came back to Waynoka, helped on the family ranch and took a job as Refrigeration Department Inspector at the Waynoka Ice Plant while working to get his auction business up and running. By the mid 1950's, Max was fully vested in the auction business and opened

an office in downtown Waynoka. Max has sold in 13 states and Switzerland and in the prime years of Bixler Land and Sales, he averaged about 50 sales per year. In 1969, Max and Lavonua Ada Decker were married in Waynoka, forming a lasting and successful union.

Max was a member of the First Christian Church and attended the Waynoka First Baptist Church. He was also a member of Waynoka Lodge #422. He was a people person and loved playing dominoes at the Senior Center. He never met a stranger and once folks met him they didn't forget him. Max raised many great quarter horses. He loved Hereford Cattle and his auctioneer chant was second to none. He was a great horseman, businessman and story teller. Besides his parents, he was preceded by his brother, Rex Bixler and one grandson, Michael Downing.

Max is survived by his wife, Lavonua, of Waynoka; three daughters, Debra Redgate and husband, Max, of Waynoka, Beth Bixler of Wichita, Kansas, and Cindy Zook Seaman and husband, Bill, of Waynoka; one son, Robert Zook of Waynoka; six grandchildren, Dana Church and husband, Kyle, of Sentinel, Amy Vernon and husband, C.C. of York, Nebraska, Chancey Hanson and husband, John, of Waynoka; Kori Allison and husband, Jeremy of Waynoka, Bart Seaman and wife, Lindsay of Waynoka, and Leah Bradford and husband, Matt, of Waynoka; 13 great grandchildren; other relatives and many friends. Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to Waynoka Masonic Lodge #422.

Tribute Wall



“ *Max Floyd Bixler*

January 30, 2023 at 03:38 AM



“ *Max told me once all he need for a good meal was steak and spinach... "Iron and protein" he said... He was my friend and brother-in-law for years. Danced in my living room one time when he was in his 80's. Jerry Lee Lewis - Last Man Standing... He loved it...*

John Decker - October 28, 2017 at 06:12 PM



“ *In addition to his stories, Max always had a smile for everyone. We always enjoyed visiting with Max and Lavonua. What a great history and legacy! He will be missed.*

Lindy Baker - May 31, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Debra... Very sorry for your loss.*

Nan Wheatley - May 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family, in their time of grief. From Cherry (Shephard) Gatewood, Gayle (Shephard) Lawrence and Cecil and Roxann Shephard.*

Cherry Gatewood - May 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Knew the Bixler family in the 40 & 50is. Max was a good friend of my brother, Buddy Reger. Now they can tell stories together. Sorry for your loss. Dixie & Bill Mosley

Dixie Reger Mosley - May 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Sorry for your loss. Always will remember several great stories Max told when we visited he & LaVonua when we stopped and visited after hunting on the ranch. Jim Harris, Enid OK

May 13, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Prayers for your family through this difficult loss. Max was such an icon in Waynoka. He will be missed! Strength and comfort for all in the time ahead.

Maria Ramirez Wells - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of grief. May your memories bring you comfort. From the family of Alfred Ball, Leota Betts and Sonya Darr

Leota Betts - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ May each of you be consoled by special memories of Max, and knowing there are many friends and family who share your loss. Our sincere sympathy.

Dale - May 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM