



## Verlin Neil McMurphy

November 14, 1933 - May 14, 2023

Funeral services for Verlin McMurphy will be 1:30 p.m. Thursday, May 18, 2023, at the First United Methodist Church with Pastor Katie Hill officiating. Interment will follow in the Alva Municipal Cemetery under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Alva.

Verlin Neil McMurphy, son of the late Frank David and Beulah Mae (Lyon) McMurphy, was born November 14, 1933, 12 miles west of Alva on the family homestead and passed away surrounded by his family, May 14, 2023, at Alva, at the age of 89 years and 7 months.

Verlin attended school at Farry and graduated in 1951. He then attended Northwestern State College before being drafted into the United States Army. After he was honorably discharged, he was united in marriage to Betty Louise James on May 17, 1959, at the First Baptist Church in Alva with Betty's grandfather officiating. They made their home in Alva where they raised their children, Linda, Keith, and Lisa.

Verlin joined his brother Darold in the plumbing business in 1958. They later added heating and air conditioning services to become McMurphy Plumbing, Heating, and Air Conditioning. They retired from that business in 1998. He also began farming and ranching in 1969.

He attended the United Methodist Church and was a member of the Odd Fellows Lodge and the V.F.W. He served on the board of the Cherokee Strip Museum and held an office in the Woods County Mineral Owners. He and Betty were members of the Do Little Camping Club and enjoyed their travels with this group. Verlin also enjoyed hunting and fishing.

He was preceded in death by his father and mother, Frank and Beulah; his brother, Darold McMurphy and his wife, Cleeta Ann; his sister, Doris Lockhart and her husband, Jim; and a daughter-in-law, Monica McMurphy.

Verlin is survived by his wife, Betty, of the home; his children, Linda McMurphy of Alva, Keith McMurphy of Tuttle, Lisa McMurphy of Alva, and a chosen daughter, Mary Margaret Miller and husband, Todd, of Edmond; two grandchildren, Brooks McMurphy and Ashlenn of Tuttle, and Evan Nicole McMurphy of Yukon; twin great grandchildren, Claire Iva and Cooper Verlin McMurphy of Tuttle; three bonus granddaughters, and eight bonus great grandchildren; many other relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to the Senior Citizen's Center, the First United Methodist Church, the Cherokee Strip Museum, or the charity of your choice.

Remembrances may be shared with the family at [www.marshallfuneralhomes.com](http://www.marshallfuneralhomes.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Alva Municipal Cemetery

Flynn Street  
Alva, OK 73717

# Previous Events

## Viewing

**MAY 17.** 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Marshall Funeral Home of Alva  
230 Flynn Street. P.O. Box 804  
Alva, OK 73717  
(580) 327-2311  
<https://www.marshallfuneralhomes.com/>

## Viewing

**MAY 18.** 8:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Marshall Funeral Home of Alva  
230 Flynn Street. P.O. Box 804  
Alva, OK 73717  
(580) 327-2311  
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## Funeral Service

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MAY 18. 1:30 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church  
626 College Avenue  
Alva, OK 73717

# Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album Verlin McMurphy Service



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**Marshall Funeral Homes** - May 23, 2023 at 02:59 PM



“ Proud American Memorial Windchimes with Eagle and Flag was purchased for the family of Verlin Neil McMurphy.



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May 18, 2023 at 10:25 AM



“ Verlin was definitely one of the good guys of the world and will be missed. Prayers being sent to the family.

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**John & Mary Herold** - May 17, 2023 at 06:15 PM



*Thank you!*

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**Keith McMurphy** - May 18, 2023 at 06:42 PM

JD

“ I'm going to miss you old friend, we had some good times growing up in the Farry School community. Betty and your family we are so sorry for your loss. You guys are such very special friends to Marilyn and me. I know that GOD will comfort you all at this time of sorrow.

Jim and Marilyn Davison - May 17, 2023 at 10:46 AM

NM

“ Natalie Miller lit a candle in memory of Verlin Neil McMurphy



Natalie Miller - May 17, 2023 at 09:48 AM

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Thinking of you all and keeping you in prayer for strength & comfort. <3

Natalie Miller - May 17, 2023 at 09:49 AM

DW

“ Betty & families, I saddened to read of Verlin's passing. We enjoyed our time with him while living on the farm. He was a good man. Sending our love & sympathy to all of you...



Dudley and Jeanne Winn - May 17, 2023 at 02:53 AM

JH

“ *JANITA J HOFEN lit a candle in memory of  
Verlin Neil McMurphy*



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**JANITA J HOFEN** - May 16, 2023 at 09:42 PM