



William "Bill" Gordon

September 7, 1927 - September 24, 2011

Funeral services for William Rufus "Bill" Gordon, Jr. will be 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, September 28, 2011, at the Alva First Baptist Church with Dr. Greg Hook and Rev. Larry Downum officiating. Interment will be in the Alva Municipal Cemetery under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Alva. William Rufus "Bill" Gordon, Jr., son of the late William Rufus and Vera (Benson) Gordon, was born September 7, 1927, and passed away September 24, 2011, at the age of 84 years and 17 days.

After Bill graduated from Alva High School he enlisted in the United States Navy. After his service, he returned to Alva where he attended Northwestern State College. On July 9, 1948, he was united in marriage to Barbara Dee Goucher. He worked in the dry cleaning business for 20 years and the post office for 25 years. He also farmed during his life.

He was a long time member of the Alva First Baptist Church and joined in the fellowship of Oolagah First Baptist Church when they moved to Oolagah about four years ago. In the 1950&s, Bill and Barbara formed a Rook Club with several other couples. They played Rook monthly for over 40 years in the same group. Many happy memories were made over the years by camping and fishing with family and friends.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Roger Gordon, his sister, Vera Mae Morris; three brothers, Don Gordon, James Cattin, and Walter E. Gamble.

Bill is survived by his wife, Barbara, of the home; two daughters, Judy Gilliam

and husband, Bruce, of Tulsa, and Janet Helvick and husband, Bruce, of Talala; seven grandchildren, Jeremy Gilliam and wife, Sarah, Steven Gilliam, Bob Parker and wife, Stefanie, Emily Downum and husband, Charles, Laura Kvam and husband, Jeff, Cindy Helvick, and Thomas Helvick; five great grandchildren, Kylee Parker, Kael Kvam, and C.J., Carson, and Madelyn Downum; one brother, Paul Gamble and wife, Ellen, of Blackwell; and one sister, Mary Beth Gamble of Haysville, Kansas; other relatives and friends. Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to the First Baptist Church.

Tribute Wall



“ *William "Bill" Gordon*

January 30, 2023 at 03:38 AM



“ *We remember Bill as a very nice and kind man. Our sincere sympathy is with your family. God bless all of you.*

Virgil and Lavon Wiersig - September 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *I was so sorry to hear of your loss. I have so many great memories of our time at your house when we were kids. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Delores Nearn - September 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Janet your folks were both so good to me when I used to live in Alva. I will always remember both of them fondly and the good times at your folks house. Their home was always open to everyone.*

Chris Smith - September 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Just heard about your loss and wanted to pass along my condolences. Fond memories of Bill and your family go way back. I remember Mom always thought he was a great guy too. My thoughts are with you!*

Carol McClure Bramlett - September 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ Barbara, Judy, and Janet... You are in my prayers. I have so many fun memories of growing up with all of you and the family. Will be thinking of you today as you celebrate Bill&s life. Love you all, Ann Tanner Dillon

Ann Dillon - September 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Judy, I am so sorry to hear of your dad&s passing. May remembering help to ease the sorrow that you feel and bring peace and comfort to your heart.
With Sincere Sympathy

Danette and Mark Hague - September 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Thinking of the family of Bill Gordon. Always a "hello" for you. Our thoughts are prayers are with you.

Bill and Linda Beeler - September 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ We have fond memories of the days when we lived across the street from Bill and Barbara. Sincerely,

Ret. Trooper Jimmy & Julie Davison Helm - September 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ Sorry to read of Bill&s passing. We always enjoyed our visits and the hospitality of Bill and Barbara. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your families. Shirley & AK

Shirley and A K Armstrong - September 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you all. I have many fond memories of Bill and spending time at Barbara and Bill&s home with your family.*

Anita Meadows - September 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ *Judy, We are praying for you and your family on the passing of your father. Remember Psalm 116:15, it is a very comforting word.*
Lee & Carole

Lee & Carole McAllister - September 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM